

TIRED OF OVERTIME

City Planning To Hire Fifth Police Officer

By Carolyn Walker

The city council unanimously approved authorizing Chief Jonathan Sholar to pursue a fifth officer for the Dawson Springs Police Department.

Sholar spoke to the council Monday night about his concerns. The department currently has three officers on the street and one in the academy who will not be available for duty until October.

"We are tired," Sholar said, adding that "overtime is astronomical."

According to the chief, the city will be better protected with a fifth officer and save money as well. It is also a goal to have an officer who can spend some time at the school, not as a resource officer but building rapport with the students.

"In my opinion, it would greatly benefit the city to have a fifth officer," he said.

Kenny Mitchell said he believes the fifth officer would pay for himself since overtime has cost the city more than \$70,000 this year.

City clerk Janet Dunbar noted that in years when the city has had five officers, overtime costs were approximately \$30,000. With fewer officers the price tag has been \$70,000 to \$75,000.

"If we go ahead with the fifth officer, we need to be careful about overtime," Mitchell commented.

While it is impossible to completely eliminate

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ANGEL KILLOUGH, librarian at the Dawson Springs Branch Library, samples some of the pie which was thrown in her face by Darrell Wayne as part of a fundraiser at the library for Relay for Life.



ELECTION officers (from left) Vickie Brewer, Connie Sullivan and Ruby Hatley, working at the Dawson Springs 37th precinct on Tuesday, May 19, were not very busy. An extremely light turnout meant the ladies had only 13 voters in their precinct as of 1:30 p.m.

ONLY 7.27 PERCENT OF VOTERS CAST BALLOT

Few Participate In Primary

By Carolyn Walker

Tuesday was a quiet day at the polls in Dawson Springs as only 7.27 percent of registered voters came out for the primary election. Of the 2,062 local voters on the rolls, 150 cast their ballots

on Tuesday. Nine absentee votes were cast by Dawson Springs residents.

Republicans chose Matt Bevin as their gubernatorial candidate. Just 22 votes — two in Precinct 37, eight in Precinct 28 and 12 in Precinct 39 — gave him 81 per-

cent of the total. He was followed by Will T. Scott with 11 percent and James R. Comer with 7 percent. Scott had two votes in Precinct 38 and one in Precinct 39. Hal Heiner received no votes in

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SCHOOL BOARD AGAIN MEETS IN CLOSED SESSION

\$5.8M Tentative Budget Approved

By Carolyn Walker

The Dawson Springs Board of Education again entered closed session during Monday night's meeting to discuss the sale of property and a potential personnel issue. These are ongoing issues the board has had on the agenda for several meetings. No action was taken on either matter after resuming the regular meeting.

A tentative budget for fiscal year 2016 totaling \$5,858,860 was approved by the board. The contingency is 3.92 percent.

"We're being really, really tight," said treasurer Jenny

Bruce.

"We're going to continue to be extremely cautious," Superintendent Lenny Whalen said.

The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$1,280,775.35 at the end of April. The general fund balance of \$1,190,439.33 was \$19,952.69 less than at this time last year. The board approved the report.

Principals Jennifer Ward and Kevin Stockman reported on the recent Measures of Academic Progress results. The MAP testing is used to predict what K-Prep scores may look like and gives indication of weaknesses that need to be addressed during

the school year.

The elementary school showed growth at all grade levels in reading and math. In the junior-senior high, most grades are well above their end-of-year goals.

Whalen commended the principals on the work they have done.

"I really feel like they've got their finger on the pulse," he said. "We're still seeing consistent growth. We're going in the right direction. I think that's evident."

Board members discussed the upcoming superintendent's

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WHITE SAND AND SWIMMING FEATURED

Celebration Activities Offered At Pennyrile Beach

A celebration of the opening of Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park's public beach for the 2015 swim season will take place from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday.

The park will offer activities at the beach beginning with a sidewalk chalk art competition for children and adults. A sand sculptor will be on hand creating a work of art from the white sand.

Food will be available for purchase from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the beach shelter. From noon until 4 p.m. a DJ dance party will take place on the beach, including announced games and dances.

Tie dye T-shirts can be made at 2 p.m. at the beach shelter for an \$8 fee per shirt. At 4 p.m. recreation staff will host a beach volleyball tournament.

The beach will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. until Sept. 7 unless otherwise posted.



PATRONS enjoy the white sand beach at Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park during last year's swimming season. The beach will open Saturday for the 2015 season with many activities planned for the day.

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Obituaries

Velma D. "Tootie" Cummins, 77

Edith Marie Hulsey, 87

Linda L. Sherman, 65

LOCAL 5 DAY FORECAST

Wed 5/20	Thu 5/21	Fri 5/22	Sat 5/23	Sun 5/24
 72/50 Partly cloudy in the morning.	 70/48 Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the upper 40s.	 76/54 A few clouds. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the mid 50s.	 83/62 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 60s.	 85/68 Thunderstorms early. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 60s.

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Kentucky State Police Report April Activities

For the month of April, Kentucky State Police Post 2 issued a total of 1,615 citations, 552 speeding citations, 182 seat belt citations, 24 child restraint citations and 693 courtesy notices. They arrested 38 impaired drivers, investigated 90 traffic crashes, assisted 198 stranded motorists, responded to 768 calls for service, made 191 criminal arrests and opened 45 criminal cases. No fatal crashes were reported in the Post 2 District in April.

Through April 30, nine fatal crashes that resulted in the loss of 11 lives have been reported in the Post 2 District. Three victims were not wearing seat belts; six victims

were wearing seat belts; one victim was not wearing a helmet; and one victim was a pedestrian. Alcohol has been a suspected factor in two of the fatal crashes.

Through April 30, 2014, 10 people had been killed in 10 fatal crashes in the Post 2 District.

Throughout the month, troopers from Post 2 will conduct traffic safety checkpoints. The traffic safety checkpoints are utilized to promote safety for motorists and to provide a deterrent for those who violate laws.

For traffic safety checkpoint locations, refer to www.kentuckystatepolice.org/posts/press/post2_checkpoints.html.

Passenger Suffers Injuries In Parkway 3-Car Crash

An injury collision involving three vehicles that occurred on the Edward T. Breathitt Pennyryle Parkway May 13 is under investigation by Kentucky State Police.

The preliminary investigation revealed that William Ward, 44, of Clarksville, Tenn., was northbound on the parkway when his vehicle struck a deer. Ward's van came to rest partially in the median, off the left shoulder of the road. KSP Sgt. Dean Patterson stopped behind the vehicle to render aid to the occupants.

Karen Orten, 46, of Crofton, was driving north on the parkway and lost control as she approached the other vehicles. The passenger side of her car struck the rear

of Patterson's unmarked police cruiser, forcing it into Ward's van.

Patterson was able to exit his vehicle prior to impact and was not injured. Ward and his passengers, William Lewis, 22, Savannah, Tenn., and David Miget, 33, Dyer, Tenn., had already left their vehicle prior to impact and were not injured.

Although Orten was uninjured, her passenger, Irvin Dulin, 73, of Crofton, was pinned inside the vehicle and had to be extricated. He was transported by ambulance to Baptist Health Madisonville and later flown to St. Mary's in Evansville, Ind., for treatment. Both occupants were wearing seat belts.

Sgt. Nick Rice is the investigating officer.

Mother And Child Suffer Injuries In One-Car Crash

A single-vehicle accident on the Pennyryle Parkway Monday sent a mother and child to Baptist Health Madisonville.

According to the Hopkins County Sheriff's Department, Jessica Watts, 33, was driving south in the area of the 53 mile marker when she hit standing water and her vehicle hydroplaned.

Watts stated that she lost control of her SUV and left the right side of the road, striking an embankment. The vehicle came to rest on its top.

Watts and her child, Daylan R. Monks, 10 months, were transported to Baptist Health for treatment.

Mike Evans was the reporting deputy.

KET Lists Upcoming Program

Louisville Life travels to one of Louisville's hidden treasures: Yew Dell Gardens, a botanical wonderland located just outside the city in Crestwood. The program also explores the leather works of LaGrange artist Janet Strait, talks with Louisville Bats senior vice president Greg Gallette and profiles Sam Corbett, director of community engagement for the University of Louisville's College of Education and Human Development.

Louisville Life airs at 9 a.m. Sunday on KET.

The National Memorial Day concert on KET pays tribute to the service and sacrifice of our men and women in uniform, their families at home and all those who have given their lives for our country. Joe Mantegna and Gary Sinise co-host the 26th annual broadcast of this night of remembrance that airs live from the West Lawn of the U.S. Capitol at 7 p.m. Sunday.

OBITUARIES

Funeral Held On Tuesday For Velma Cummins, 77

Velma D. "Tootie" Cummins, 77, of Princeton, went to be with her Savior on May 13, 2015.

She was a lifetime member of Midway Valley Pentecostal Church. She was the eldest of 14 children, an avid seamstress and quilter. She loved mud racing her truck and working outside growing flowers.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 47 years, Edward H. Cummins; parents, Raymond Sr. and Irene Newberry; a son, Edward Cummins Jr.; two brothers, Raymond "Dunk" Newberry Jr. and James "Jimbo" Newberry; three sisters, Francis Holeman, Jeannie Skimehorn and Elizabeth Holeman; two grandchildren, Nicole Cummins and Mickey Cummins Harp; and a great-grandchild, Isis Cummins.

Survivors include six children, Simon A. Cummins of Kuttawa, Joseph and Jill Cummins of Princeton, Rosemary and James Sheets of Graham, Kathy and Jr. Crick of St. Charles, Jonathan and Sookie Cummins of Eutaw, Ala., and Matthew and Lisa Cummins of Princeton; her fur baby, Jesse; six brothers, Albert Newberry of Caldwell County, Sammy Newberry, Charlie Newberry, Andy Newberry and Bobby Joe



VELMA CUMMINS

Newberry, all of Dawson Springs, and Billy Newberry of Albertsville, Ala.; two sisters, Margaret "Sis" Ladd of St. Charles and Joann Johnson of Dawson Springs; 16 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren. She was known to everyone as "Granny."

Funeral services were held May 19, 2015, at Morgan's Funeral Home with the Rev. Dennis Walls officiating. Burial was in Asher Cemetery in Caldwell County.

Pallbearers were Billy Newberry, Simon Cummins Jr., Neil Foe Jr., Chris Cummins, Sam Mitchell, Daniel Foe, Jonathan Cummins Jr., and Brother Mitchell.

Honorary pallbearers were Bobby McGregor, Danny "Chicken Hawk" Hobbs, David Haupt, Mickey Walls and David Grace.

Dawson Springs Officers Report Week's Activities

The Dawson Springs Police Department released the following reports last week:

—Derek G. Schipp, 32, Tell City, Ind., was charged May 10 with failure to wear a seat belt, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and failure to appear on a Hancock County bench warrant.

—Valerie N. Greenwell, 30, Clay, was charged May 10 with failure to appear on a Trigg County bench warrant.

—Olivia A. Lowe, 30, Dawson Springs, was charged May 11 with contempt of court libel/slander resistance to order on a Hopkins County bench warrant.

—Pamela Morris, 34, Dawson Springs, was charged May 12 with two counts of nonpayment of fines on a Hopkins County bench warrant.

—Jessica N. Maclin, 23, Dawson Springs, was charged May 13 with two counts of theft by deception including cold checks under \$500 on a Hopkins County bench warrant.

—Candice C. Vincent, 26, Dawson Springs, was charged May 13 with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

—Barry T. Bullock, 21, Dawson Springs, was charged May 13 with fourth-degree assault with no visible injury.

Driver Suffers Injuries In Crash Near Mortons Gap

The Kentucky State Police investigated a single-vehicle injury collision just north of Mortons Gap at 4:30 a.m. Friday.

The preliminary investigation revealed that Linda Bullock, 71, of Nortonville, was driving north on the Edward T. Breathitt Pennyryle Parkway when she lost control of her vehicle. It exited the left shoulder

of the road and entered the median. The vehicle overturned and came to rest on its top in the median.

Bullock, who was wearing a seat belt, was transported by ambulance to Baptist Health Madisonville for treatment.

Trooper Bob Winters was the investigating officer.

Services Will Be Today For Edith Marie Hulsey

The funeral for Edith Marie Howton Hulsey, 87, of Dawson Springs, will be held at 1 p.m. today at Beshear Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until the funeral hour.

Bro. Tommy Gunn will officiate, assisted by the Rev. Donnie Howton. Burial will be in Lafayette Cemetery.

Mrs. Hulsey died May 18, 2015, at her home.

She was born June 21, 1928, in Olney, to the late Alfred Huie and Atha Mae Stallins Howton.

She worked for several years at Ottenheimer Manufacturing and was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Wayne Hulsey, Dec. 4, 2007; a daughter, Andria Mae Frankel; a



EDITH MARIE HULSEY

sister, Gertrude Roberts; a brother, Elvie Howton; two infant sisters and an infant brother.

Survivors include a son, Charles Wayne Ishmel Hulsey, Dawson Springs; two daughters, Joan Cotton and Pamela Gale Hulsey, both Dawson Springs; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services Held Tuesday For Linda Sherman, 65

The funeral for Linda L. Sherman, 65, of Nebo, was held yesterday at Reid-Walters Funeral Home.

The Rev. Lawson Hook officiated. Burial was in New Salem Cemetery.

Mrs. Sherman died May 15, 2015, at her home.

She was born June 13, 1949, in Chicago, Ill., to the late William and Ida Mae Reed Pitt.

She was a homemaker and was of the Lutheran faith.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Betty Jean Pitt.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Sherman Sr. of Nebo; three sons, Chuck Sherman of White Plains, Joey Sherman and Scotty Sherman, both of Nebo; two sisters; nine grandchildren; three stepgrandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Memorial contributions can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Tribute Program, P.O. Box 1000, Dept. 142, Memphis, TN 38148-0142 or Ronald McDonald House Charities of Kentuckiana, 550 S. First St., Louisville, KY 40202.

Blacktop Carrier Overturns

A semi carrying blacktop overturned May 13 on Jewell City Road in Hopkins County.

According to the Hopkins County Sheriff's Department, as James Wallace was driving the semi containing 24,000 pounds of blacktop, he noticed that the truck was

rocking back and forth. The front passenger tire went off the edge of the road, and Wallace overcorrected resulting in the vehicle overturning and spilling blacktop on the roadway. No one was injured in the incident.

Sgt. LyDon Logan was the reporting deputy.

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We, the family of Glenna Dunbar, wish to thank family and friends who have kept us in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. For every phone call, for everyone who coming to the visitation/funeral or sending flowers and momentos, for every pat on the back, handshake, and hug, we are truly grateful. Thanks to the staff at Tradewater Health and Rehabilitation Center, Beshear Funeral Home and the Reverend Sam Haulk. God bless you all.

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College Grads Decline As Kentucky Cuts Funding

By Linda Blackford
Lexington Herald Leader

After the 1997 Higher Education Reform Act, Kentucky's colleges and universities saw big gains in funding, and enrolled and graduated many more students. But after years of funding cuts, those improvements are slowing dramatically.

From 2000 to 2009, Kentucky ranked first in the nation for the pace of growth in four-year graduation rates, second for associate

on Postsecondary Education and the National Center for Higher Education Management Systems.

Six years and cuts of \$178 million later, Kentucky's pace of improvement fell to 41st, 24th and 44th, respectively, in those same three categories.

Last year, Kentucky had the largest per-student funding cut in the nation, at \$179, according to a report released recently by the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities in Washing-

People who want Kentucky's economy to improve should be worried, said Robert King, president of the Council on Postsecondary Education.

"In the immediate wake of higher ed reform in 1997, Gov. Patton and the legislature made investments, and those investments paid off," King said. "Now, the pace of improvement has slowed dramatically. The risk is if we continue on the course we've been on, it's putting enormous pressure on tuition, and we're starting to see that the proportion of young people choosing to go to college has actually dropped."

Kentucky has continued to make gains in overall graduation rates. In 2012-13, 62,000 degrees were awarded, exceeding a statewide goal.

"The number one demand of employers is a workforce that is predominantly people with college degrees,"

about 28 percent, compared to the national average of 33 percent.

And last year, total undergraduate enrollment fell 2.5 percent, most of it due to drops at the Kentucky Community and Technical College System, which educates many of those most affected by tuition increases and financial aid cuts.

State funding cuts force colleges and universities to depend more on tuition. In Kentucky, tuition on average has gone up 28 percent since 2008, although that varies greatly among schools. At the University of Kentucky, for example, tuition next fall will be 51 percent higher than 2008 rates.

The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities points out that nationally, tuition jumped nearly 28 percent from the 2007-08 to the 2013-14 school years, while real median income fell roughly 8 percent over the same period.

tions director for the Kentucky Center for Economic Policy, a state partner of the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities. "Sadly, our elected leaders are still failing to make those smart investments, threatening the state's well-being, overburdening students and holding everyone back."

Most policymakers think the answer lies in tax reform that produces new revenue for the state. And lawmakers agree, to a point.

King said that he

tion only hurts the state's economic health.

"One of the things we point out is that people with higher levels of education earn more to pay more taxes, and they place far fewer burdens on social services of the state — they are healthier, less likely to be incarcerated," King said. "Making the investment today will pay off significantly in reducing pressures on other areas that the state is paying enormous sums on right now."

Dunn Cemetery Meeting Rescheduled For May 23

A cemetery cleaning and business meeting originally scheduled for May 16 at Dunn Cemetery has been rescheduled for May 23.

A light cleanup will be followed by a potluck and a short business meeting. Participants are asked to bring lawn chairs. In

case of rain, the meeting will be moved to Dunn Baptist Church.

Donations can be made to Dunn Cemetery Fund or mailed to Beverly Gray, 200 Union Temple Road, St. Charles, KY 42453.

For information, phone Gene Workman at 270-797-2049.

Baptist Health Announces Blood Drives For June

Baptist Health Madisonville will hold several blood drives in Hopkins County during the month of June. Times and locations are as follows:

—June 10, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Baptist Health Medical Associates Building, Trover Tower, 8th floor.
—June 16, 10 a.m. to

2 p.m., Parkway Plaza Mall.

—June 18, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Madisonville Lions Den.

—June 22, 4 to 8 p.m., Christ the King Parish Hall.

—June 24 and 25, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Baptist Health Blood Bank, 1st floor of hospital.

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While he was king the Upper Gate of the temple of the LORD was rebuilt. Jotham also built towns in the Judean hills and forts and towers in the wooded areas. Jotham went to war against the king of the Ammonites and conquered them and for three years the Ammonites paid him a hundred talents of silver, ten thousand cors of wheat and ten thousand cors of barley every year. He grew powerful because he walked steadfastly before the LORD his God.
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Fifth Officer Approved; Bike Night Tomorrow; Fishing Day May 30

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overtime, Sholar said, he plans to limit the number of extra hours officers are on duty.

Sholar said officers are seeking employment elsewhere because of the number of hours required here. Another problem with having only three officers has been a lack of backup.

Jackie Mathis asked about the timeline for hiring a new officer.

Sholar said it would probably take at least three months because he is "extremely picky." The officer he hires is a reflection on him and on the city, he said.

The chief cited the equipment used by the local police force as an incentive to work here and also noted that an officer who lives in the Dawson Springs city limits will be in line for the next new vehicle.

"For a department our size, we have state-of-the-art equipment," he said, but reiterated that he and his officers are tired because of the long hours they put in.

"The fact that they are tired is a safety issue," Dunbar said.

"If a person becomes disgruntled and thinks there is no solution, he will be looking (for another job) more aggressively," said Rick Hendrickson. "Policing isn't like it used to be. If you send people out without backup, it is an issue. If you overtax four officers, you're going to have problems."

Sholar will begin the search for a qualified officer in the near future.

Resolution 2015-08 giving approval for Mayor Jenny Sewell to sign for Municipal Road Aid funds for fiscal year 2015-2016, was adopted by a 6 to 0 roll-call vote. The first installment will be

\$31,218 with the possibility of more by the end of the fiscal year if funds are available.

Fire Chief Rob Linton reported that the fire truck purchased from Mars Township is ready for use. The department is preparing to surplus the old green truck that was replaced.

In a code enforcement update, Fred Rawley told the council that he is currently working 38 cases and hopes 10 of those will be cleared this week. Most problems relate to abandoned houses with out-of-town or out-of-state owners, foreclosures and property with no clear ownership. He also noted that according to ordinance, all homes must have 3-inch house numbers above or beside the front door in clear sight of emergency personnel.

Sewell said that it was suggested that to honor Dawson Springs' native

son Gov. Steve Beshear, the city should rename its best public facility in his honor. The council approved the renaming of Riverside Park which will now be Steven L. Beshear Riverside Park.

Hendrickson said he felt Eddie Beshear should be recognized for his contributions since it was he who had the vision of rebuilding the park. Hendrickson recommended naming the field for him. The measure was approved by the council.

"I'm sure he would be honored," said Sewell. "He would be very appreciative for that."

Announcements included Bike Night tomorrow beginning at 6 p.m. and Take Kids Fishing Day which has been rescheduled for May 30.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be June 15 at 7 p.m.

Very Light Voter Turnout In Primary

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Dawson Springs.

The attorney general's race was closer with 57 percent of local voters choosing Whitney H. Westerfield to 43 percent for Michael T. Hogan. Westerfield received one vote in Precinct 37, four in 38 and seven in 39. One vote was cast for Hogan in Precinct 37 and four in each of the other two precincts.

Republicans preferred Allison Ball as their nominee for state treasurer. She had 11 votes, five in Precinct 38 and six in Precinct 39 for 52 percent. Kenneth Churchill Imes and Jon Larson received 24 percent each with five votes. One vote was cast for Churchill in Precinct 37, two in 38 and two in 39. Larson received one vote in Precinct 37, one in 38 and three in 39.

Completing the ballot were candidates for agriculture commissioner. Richard Heath had 73 percent of the Dawson Springs vote to Ryan F. Quarles' 27 percent. Heath received a total of 16 votes, two in Precinct 37, six in 38 and eight in 39. Quarles had two votes in Precinct 38 and four in 39. No votes were cast for Quarles in Precinct 37.

On the Democratic ballot, 80 percent of local voters chose Jack Conway to Geoffrey M. Young's 20 percent. Conway had 110 votes in Dawson Springs, 32 in Precinct 37, 46 in 38 and 32 in 39. Twelve votes were cast for Young in Precinct 38 and eight votes in each of the other two precincts.

The incumbent secretary of state Alison Lundergan Grimes had 63 percent of the Dawson Springs vote for that office with Charles Lovett coming in at 37 percent. Grimes received 20 votes in Precinct 37, 39 in Precinct 38 and 29 in Precinct 39. Lovett had 21 votes in 37, 19 in 38 and 11 in 39.

The race for the state treasurer's nomination was the most highly contested with five candidates on the Democratic ballot. Rick Nelson was the clear winner with 43 percent, 19 votes in Precinct 37, 21 in 38 and 14 in 39. He was followed by Richard Henderson who received seven votes in Precinct 37, 13 in Precinct 38 and nine in Precinct 39 for 29 percent. Neville Blakemore received 15 percent with two,



VOTING booths in the Katherine Barnett Room of the Dawson Springs Branch Library were mostly empty like these two during the primary election held Tuesday, May 19.

eight and nine votes in the three precincts, respectively. Jim Glenn's 13 percent came from seven votes each in Precincts 37 and 38 and two in 39. Daniel B. Grossberg received a total of eight votes, four each in Precincts 37 and 38, for 6 percent.

Budget Approved By Board

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evaluation. Each member will complete an individual assessment, and the results will be compiled into a single document. Board chairman Earl Menser favored compiling the individual evaluations in open session during the June meeting. However, Vicki Allen and Melissa Knight preferred to compile the information in closed session to be presented after re-entering the open meeting. Knight said she feels Whalen should be included in the closed session.

The board approved the evaluation process along with other action items such as continuing to use U.S. Bank as the financial institution; using Kem, Duguid and Associates to complete the 2015 school district audit; participating in the Community Eligibility Provision for 2015-2016 (free lunch program); the Code of Acceptable Behavior for 2015-2016; blanket approval to hire emergency substitutes for the next school year; and the district technology plan.

Other items approved included using Wright Speciality as the district's property and fleet insurance carrier and Kentucky Employers Mutual Insurance for workers com-

pensation coverage. Wright Specialty beat the cost of the district's current carrier, Liberty Mutual, by several thousand dollars for identical coverage. Whalen said he saw the switch as "a good opportunity to save."

Also approved was a modification of the pay date structure for extra duty pay. One half of an extra duty stipend will be paid at the halfway point in the season and the remainder upon completion of the season. This does not apply to year-round activities.

Personnel action included the resignations of Katie Gibson, varsity boys soccer coach; Elizabeth Robinson, varsity girls soccer; Shane Witty, middle school boys basketball; and Kristin Alexander, middle school girls basketball. Coaches hired were Kyle Chappell, boys soccer; Wayne Simpson, varsity boys basketball; and Amanda Scott, girls varsity basketball.

The meeting began with the graduation of two students in the Dawson Springs Access Program. Ashley Collier and Aaron McCune received diplomas.

Fine art award winners were Colton Franklin, fourth grade; Ayden Davis, sixth grade; and Abby Parker, high school.

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OPINION

ABOUT TOWN

By Scott

Another television era is about to pass

While who knows what the final Top Ten list will be on David Letterman's final late show to air tonight, there is no doubt the late night talk show host has made top ten lists as well as stupid pet tricks and Paul Shaffer famous.

Letterman's top ten list for Monday night was the Top Ten Things I'll Miss About Working At The Late Show. It was compiled by some of Dave's staff and crew. Here is that list:

10. Executive Producer Barbara Gaines said, "Until I met Dave, I didn't know I could put my fist through a wall."

9. Writer Steve Young said, "Because he's not tech savvy, Dave never notices when you steal jokes from Twitter."

8. A female producer said, "Not having to wear high heels to work."

7. The head of props who is a male also said, "Not having to wear high heels to work."

6. A female costume designer said, "Working with Hollywood's most well-known inseams."

5. An intern said, "Another three years and Dave was going to start paying me."

4. An executive producer said, "I'll miss looking forward to no longer working at the show."

3. Stage manager Biff Henderson said, "Dave is the best boss in the world — or so I'm required to say if I want my severance check."

2. Announcer Alan Kalter said, "The taping time of the show provided a consistent, reliable alibi."

1. Musical director Paul Shaffer said, "Now who will I pretend to laugh at?"

Shaffer was very good at pretending to laugh at Dave's jokes — even the lame ones. But those of us who remember Johnny Carson can never forget the master of laughing at his boss' lame jokes — Ed McMahon. McMahon not only laughed but would sometimes laugh so hard if there had been television remotes at the time most people would have wanted to hit the mute button.

We sometimes come up with our own top ten lists, but with respect to Dave we will let him provide the lists for this week — except for this one which was taken from MyDiet.com.

Since practically everyone I know either is on a diet, has been on a diet in the past or is planning to start a diet, here is a top ten list for Not-So-Healthy Foods:

- 10 Sports drinks
9. Breakfast cereal
8. Gluten-free
7. Light yogurts
6. Eat-out salads
5. Trail mix
4. Energy bars
3. Tuna sushi
2. Banana chips
1. Muesli

The best thing about this list is I no longer have to worry about trying to work these not-so-healthy foods into my diet. Apparently they are not all that healthy anyway. I'm very glad Blizzards didn't make the list.

Several years ago the loneliest man in town was said to be the Maytag repairman. Since Dawson Springs did not have a Maytag dealer and thus did not have a Maytag repairman, I'm not sure who would have qualified for the loneliest person in town.

However, on Tuesday afternoon I would suggest some of the loneliest people in town were the 16 who were working the polls for the primary election. When I voted at about 1:30, there had been fewer than 40 voters to vote in my precinct. Those four ladies who were working at the 39th precinct looked pretty lonely to me.

But they were busy compared to the four at the 37th precinct. Diana Workman, Connie Sullivan, Ruby Hatley and Vickie Brewer had to be four of the loneliest ladies in town during this year's primary election. As of 1:30 p.m. there had been 13 to place their votes in that precinct.

It's hard to say what is the saddest — the paltry voter turnout or having no candidates to pique the voters' interest.

It's not me, but it might be you. Here are some signs you may be using Facebook (or the Internet) too much:

- You step out of your room and realize that your parents have moved and you don't have a clue as to what happened.
- Your nightmares are in HTML.
- You start introducing yourself as "Jim at (your name) dot com."
- Your heart races faster and beats irregularly each time you see a new WWW site address on TV.
- You turn on your intercom when leaving the room so you can hear if new email arrives.
- Your wife drapes a blond wig over your monitor to remind you of what she looks like.
- Your dog has its own home page.
- You can't call your mother — she doesn't have a computer.
- You check your mail. It says "no new messages." So you check it again.
- Your husband tells you that he has had the beard for two months.
- You wake up at 3 a.m. to go to the bathroom and stop and check your email on the way back to bed.
- You tell the kids they can't use the computer because "Daddy's got work to do" — even though you don't have a job.
- You ask a plumber how much it would cost to replace the chair in front of your computer with a toilet.
- Your wife says communication is important in a marriage — so you buy another computer and install a second phone line so the two of you can chat.
- As your car crashes through the guardrail on a curvy road, your first instinct is to search for the "back" button.



Commentary...

Expanding free trade will benefit us

By Mitch McConnell

Trade is the key to high-quality Kentucky jobs, and a way to export more of the things Kentucky workers make and more of the products Kentucky farmers and ranchers produce. That's why I strongly support the bipartisan Trade Promotion Authority (TPA) bill before Congress. This bill could help lead to the completion and eventual enactment of trade agreements aimed at lowering trade barriers to 11 countries in partnership and to the European Union.

More than half a million jobs in Kentucky are related to international trade already, and expanding America's trade agreements provides opportunities for more growth. TPA would also expand Congress' oversight over the Obama Administration and sets clear rules and standards for its trade negotiators.

Lowered trade barriers help industries such as automotive manufacturing, agriculture, and the makers of distilled spirits. Today, Toyota exports Camrys made in its Georgetown manufacturing plant to South Korea following enactment of a free trade agreement America signed with the Koreans in 2011. The fact that South Korea is importing Toyotas from Kentucky and not from Japan means a lot to the 7,000 workers at the Georgetown plant.

Across the Asia-Pacific region our allies confront a growing Chinese economy and military. Passing strong trade agreements is part of ensuring that America remains a dominant player in the dynamic Pacific region, even as China seeks to expand its

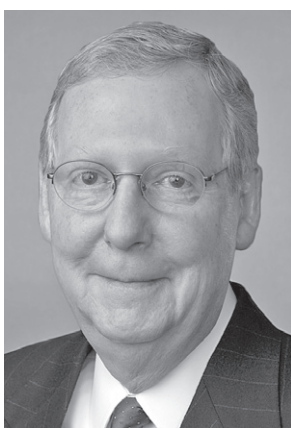
influence. If we don't step in, China will, and I, for one, would rather see American workers and American farmers reap the economic benefits of selling more to this region than China.

Passing TPA and enacting strong trade agreements will mean greater access to more markets and increased opportunities for Kentucky-made goods. Studies indicate that Kentucky could gain \$2.7 billion in new global investment and more than 18,000 jobs while reaping the rewards of selling more Kentucky goods in Europe and the Pacific.

Passing TPA and enacting these free trade agreements would eliminate unfair rules in other countries that discriminate against American workers and American products. And it's especially good for Kentucky farmers. Here is what one corn, wheat and soybean farmer from Spencer County wrote to me:

"We need free trade to compete with the grain farms in South America. Dozens of people have jobs as a direct result of our small business: input suppliers, truckers, mechanics and traders, just to name a few. Help me and all these people by expanding trade and consumption globally. Our future depends on it."

He's not the only one who thinks so. Says Dave Maples, executive vice president of the Kentucky Beef Cattlemen: "Current and future trade agree-



SEN. McCONNELL

ments give cattle producers in Kentucky, the largest beef state east of the Mississippi River, the ability to export some of the finest beef our country has to offer, and expand our markets. Greater access to markets means a better future for my operation, children and grandchildren."

Another constituent, from forklift manufacturer CLARK Material Handling Company in Lexington, said this: "TPA [and trade agreements] are good for CLARK, they are good for Kentucky, and they are good for the overall economic well-being of the entire country."

They're right. The benefits from trade are huge. The United States currently has free trade agreements with 20 countries, which account for \$12.1 billion—or 44 percent—of Kentucky's exports. Expanding free trade agreements to countries in Europe and the Pacific will only make our exports grow. It will benefit Kentucky manufacturers, farmers, and consumers—and most importantly, provide high-quality jobs in our state. And it will help increase prosperity across the commonwealth. Kentucky is counting on this important free trade legislation, and I'm working hard in the Senate to see it gets done.

Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., is Senate majority leader.

Commentary...

Children suffer most from dogs

By Brenda Knoth
Dawson Springs Postmaster

For every letter carrier bitten, hundreds of children needlessly suffer the pain and trauma of dog attacks.

Whatever the reasons, dog attacks are a serious problem for the entire community, and not just our letter carriers, who were victimized by 5,767 dog attacks last year. That's an average of 18 dog attacks every delivery day, and that figure does not include the number of threatening incidents that did not result in injury.

However, these numbers pale in comparison with the more than 4.5 million people — mostly children and the elderly — who suffer injuries from dog attacks each year.

In the last year, dogs being aggressive to letter carriers interfered with a significant number of mail deliveries. Fortunately, most dog bites can be prevented through responsible pet ownership. If a letter carrier needs to deliver a certified letter or a package to you, put your dog into a separate room before opening your front door. Dogs have been known to burst through screen doors or plate-glass windows to get at strangers.

Nationally, the number of carriers attacked by dogs has declined over the years. This is because of greater cooperation from dog owners, stricter leash laws, and stepped-up efforts to educate letter carriers and the public about dealing with the problem.

Our letter carriers are vigilant and dedicated, but we may be forced to stop mail delivery at an address if a letter carrier is threatened by a vicious dog. In some instances, Postal Service employees have sued and collected damages for dog attack injuries. We can't control people's dogs; only dog owners can do that.

While some attribute attacks on letter carriers to dogs' inbred aversion to uniforms, experts say the psychology actually runs much deeper. Every day that a letter carrier comes into a dog's territory, the dog barks and the letter carrier leaves. Day after day the dog sees this action repeated. After

a week or two, the dog appears to feel invincible against intruders. Once the dog gets loose, there's a good chance it will attack.

Dog owners should remind their children about the need to keep the family dog secured. We also recommend parents ask their children not to take mail directly from letter carriers. A dog may see handing mail to a child as a threatening gesture.

These simple reminders and helpful tips can reduce the hazard of dog attacks. Help us to help you this spring and summer. This is the first in a series of three columns by Dawson Springs Postmaster Brenda Knoth addressing the problem of dog attacks, both in the Postal Service and in the community. Next week: "Why Do Some Dogs Attack?"

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LOOKING BACK

10, 25 & 50 Years Ago

10 years ago

(From the files of *The Dawson Springs Progress*, Thursday, May 19, 2005.)

Austin Alan McCutchen celebrated his first birthday with a party Sunday, April 16, at his home.

Mia Elizabeth Shockley was born Thursday, April 7, at Reynolds Army Community Hospital at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. She weighed nine pounds, three ounces.

The Panthers tied the school record for softball wins with a 14-1 rout at Crittenden County last Friday.

The funeral for Pearlie L. Blades, 99, will be held Saturday at the Dawson Springs Apostolic Holiness Church. Burial will be in Rosedale Cemetery.

A graveside service for Carlos Jasper Davis, 88, was held Thursday, May 12, at McNeely Cemetery.

The funeral for Lorene C. Carlton, 84, was held Wednesday, May 18, at Beshear Funeral Home. Burial was in Menser Cemetery.

25 years ago

(From the files of *The Dawson Springs Progress*, Thursday, May 24, 1990.)

Korrie Diann Hicks celebrated her birthday with a party Friday, May 11.

Thirty-nine seniors will graduate Friday night when Dawson Springs High School holds its 81st commencement.

Services were conducted for Donald Lee Black, 52, Monday afternoon at Beshear Funeral Home. Burial was in Piney Grove Cemetery.

Funeral for Gordon John Menser, 76, was held Friday morning, May 18, at Beshear Funeral Home. Burial was in Greenhill Memorial Gardens in Hopkinsville.

Last rites were conducted for Phillip Fuller, 69, Friday afternoon, May 18, at Beshear Funeral Home. Burial was in Rosedale Cemetery.

50 years ago

(From the files of *The Dawson Springs Progress*, Thursday, May 20, 1965.)

A contract was signed Tuesday between the City of Dawson Springs and the newly formed South Hopkins Water District for the supplying of 200,000 gallons of water daily to the water district for a 45-year period.

The city of Dawson Springs was authorized this week by the Federal Home and Housing Administration Agency to proceed with the purchase of some 10 acres of land for a 50-unit housing project.

The Gospel Echoes, Rev. Buck Rambo, his wife Dotie and "Little Joe" Hatfield, left last Sunday morning for an overseas mission for the U. S. Army to entertain servicemen in Greenland, Iceland, Newfoundland, and Labrador.

Diane Miller celebrated her 14th birthday with a hayride to Pennyryle Park Saturday, May 8.

Moments in time...

- * On May 18, 1920, Karol Jozef Wojtyla is born in Poland. Wojtyla went on to become Pope John Paul II, history's most well-traveled pope and the first non-Italian to hold the position since the 16th century. Pope John Paul II issued the Catholic Church's first apology for its actions during World War II.
- * On May 21, 1932, aviator Amelia Earhart becomes the first pilot to repeat Charles Lindbergh's feat, landing her plane in Ireland after a 2,000-mile solo flight across the North Atlantic.
- * On May 24, 1971, at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, an antiwar newspaper advertisement signed by 29 U.S. soldiers supporting the Concerned Officers Movement appears. The ad was in support of the group's members who opposed the departure of the carrier USS Constellation for Vietnam.
- * On May 20, 1995, President Bill Clinton permanently closes the two-block stretch of Pennsylvania Avenue in front of the White House to all vehicular traffic, citing the need for security. The road had been opened to traffic for nearly 200 years.

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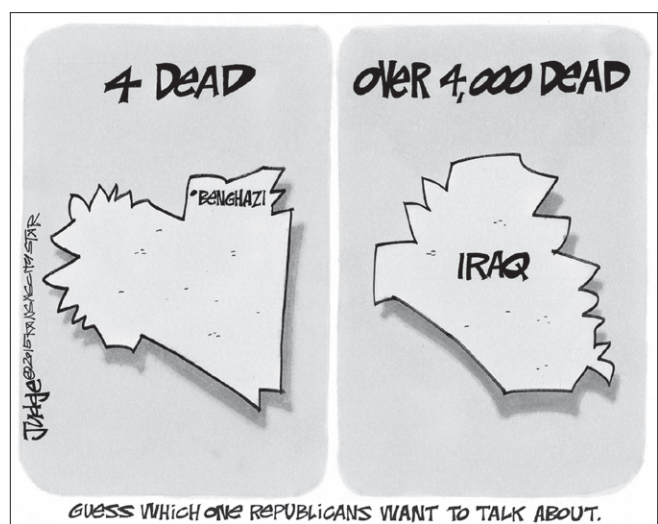
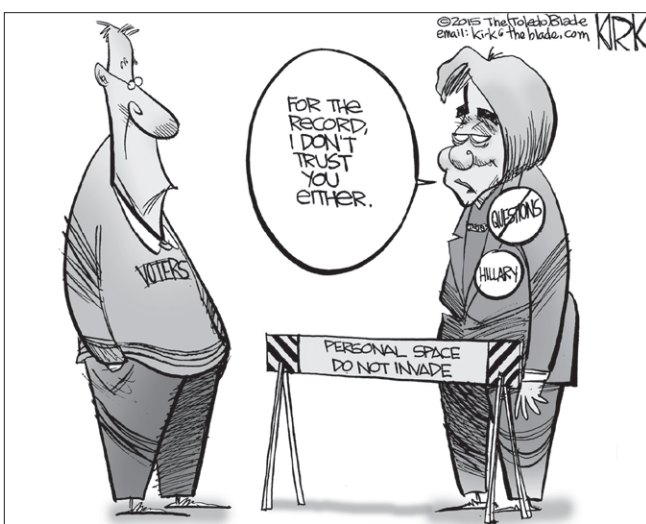
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Future relies on responsible decision making

As Kentucky's state universities and community colleges continue to experience sharp funding cuts and students feel the pain of annual tuition hikes, it's hard to hear the administrators' cries for state legislators to restore public funding with the recent examples of what is considered by some as lavish and unnecessary spending on their top executives.

For instance, former Kentucky Community and Technical College System president Michael McCall retired in January, but is set to receive \$324,000 a year in consulting fees as president emeritus. Part of those duties include working with current president Dr. Jay Box in developing the McCall Leadership Academy for system employees.

It is widely accepted that McCall did a good job during his 16-year tenure with the KCTC System by leading the newly created community college system that merged the University of Kentucky's 14 community colleges and the state's vocational and technical schools.

Throughout his term, enrollment doubled and the organization worked hard to develop educational programs to meet the needs of individual communities and industries. Our 16 current state-funded community and technical colleges have had huge impacts on the improvement of Kentucky's livelihood.

For all this work, McCall was paid well. He was at times the highest paid community college system president in the United States. According to the Lexington Herald-Leader, McCall made about \$328,325 a year in base pay, plus numerous bonuses, and he received a \$90,000-a-year housing allowance and \$43,000 a year for a car.

And even after retirement, he's still reaping the benefits while KCTCS struggles to find money for even the smallest of faculty and staff raises and scholarship opportunities for students decline. No

other public colleges in Kentucky pay their former presidents for emeritus consulting.

That agreement has led to at least two faculty senates, at Jefferson Community and Technical College in Louisville and Bluegrass Community and Technical College in Lexington, to pass resolutions calling McCall's golden parachute "fiscally irresponsible." Especially in light of the \$38 million the system has lost in state funding since 2008.

Couple that with the recent media reports that University of Louisville top executives, including president Dr. James Ramsey, are earning high-end bonuses and perks in the millions, and the public's trust in higher education officials and its boards is starting to wane. While U of L officials argue that those funds come from private donations to the university, those funds could have been used for other investments, such as student scholarships or additional faculty.

Many agree that the state legislature needs to restore critical funding to Kentucky's higher education institutions as the state tries to keep college affordable and attainable. Tuition hikes by as much as 45 percent at some schools over the last six years and declining scholarship opportunities have made the quest for college more difficult for Kentucky families.

But accountability also needs to be put in place with restored higher education funding. If these public universities and colleges are receiving public taxpayer funds, they should be held accountable for their spending as well.

Responsible spending and accountability need to be as much a part of the discussion in Frankfort as restored funding for the future of higher education.

—The Kentucky Standard, Bardstown

Other editors

Handicapped parking is being abused

Think of things in this world that make your blood pressure boil. What ranks tops on that list?

For many of us, it is the abuse of handicapped parking permits. And the abuse of those handicapped permits seems to increase all the time.

Sit in a parking lot and it won't take long before you see an able-bodied driver pull into one of those well-marked spots, hop out of his or her vehicle and proceed into a store. That person is taking advantage of a close parking spot at the expense of someone who needs it. Those who abuse it are simply being lazy and selfish.

Temporary disabled permits are available for a three-month period, but a permanent disabled placard is good for two years, and can be renewed twice, for a period two years each. We know of many who

have some physical problem and deserve those permits and should be allowed the prime parking spots that handicapped areas are reserved for.

And we realize that it might not be the driver who needs the handicapped space. We've seen some drivers who pull into the spot, but have a passenger who qualifies for the handicapped privilege.

If you have a handicapped permit sticker hanging from your rear view mirror but you don't have any disability, then refrain from parking in one of those spaces. Instead, save those spaces for the people who truly need them. Using a handicapped space inappropriately is not helping your fellow man.

—The Times Leader, Princeton

Letter to the editor

Marriage is holy

Dear Editor,

The truth: In Old Testament times God married male and female humans by His spirit and authority. This was a holy bonding of two bodies and spirits into one that only death could separate.

This holy bond was for procreation according to God's will and in God's own time. Man's laws have no authority over God's laws.

When the New Testament age came in with the birth of Jesus, God's law of marriage was still in effect. Jesus sanctioned the bond of holy matrimony in Cana of Galilee for born-again

believers. The law of God is still in force.

Today the church is to perform the ceremony as led by the Holy Spirit but only to true born-again believers.

Satan has tried throughout time to make God's law of non-effect; he moved ungodly men from olden times to mock God's law of holy matrimony by calling all weddings marriage. He knew that the degeneration and degradation (that he

was pushing) would put society where it is today.

Satan is behind the homosexual movement in America and other parts of the world where it's allowed. It's condemned by Almighty God, so regardless of any law man puts in force, those laws will never override God's laws.

Man's weddings of any kind are merely a legal union of two people subject to man's laws.

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A public hearing will be held by the City of Dawson Springs at City Hall on June 1, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of obtaining written or oral comments regarding the proposed budget as well as the proposed use of Municipal Road Aid and Local Government Economic Assistance program funds for the upcoming fiscal year.

	Municipal Road Aid Program	Local Government Economic Assistance
Cash balance carried forward (estimate)	55000	28000
Anticipated receipts (including interest)	32000	20000
Total available for appropriation	87000	48000

Public Inspection: The City's proposed budget and proposed uses of Municipal Road Aid and Local Government Economic Assistance program funds are available for public inspection at City Hall during normal business hours.

Interested persons and organizations in Dawson Springs are invited to the public hearing to submit written or oral comments on the uses of Municipal Road Aid and Local Government Economic Assistance funds.

Any person (especially senior citizens and handicapped persons) who cannot submit written comments or attend the public meeting, but wish to submit comments should call the City Clerk's Office at 797-2781 so that the City can make arrangements to secure their comments.

38th Annual PROVIDENCE COAL FESTIVAL

Tues., May 26 - Sat., May 30

2015 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

GAMES

TUESDAY, MAY 26

RIDES

5:00PM Rides/Concessions Open
Balloon Guy

6:00PM Baby Contests (0-23 months) \$10

8:00PM Performances by The Brian Hart Band and Emily Ross

FAMILY FUN

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

FOOD

5:00PM Rides/Concessions Open
6:00-9:00PM G& L Karaoke

THURSDAY, MAY 28

5:00PM Rides/Concessions Open

6:00PM Children's Beauty Contests (2-6 years of age) \$10

Blue Diamond Auction will be auctioning items following the contests

**Please note the auction has moved from Saturday to Thursday night.*

FRIDAY, MAY 29

5:00PM Rides/Concessions Open

6:00PM Girl's Beauty Contests (7-15 years of age) 7-9 yrs. \$15; 10-12 yrs. \$15; 13-15 yrs. \$25

Airbrush Tattoos by Balloon Guy

Bingo

8:00PM Wrestling

SATURDAY, MAY 30

Cruise-In sponsored by Do It Best Relay for Life Team

12:00-4:00PM Kid's Day Rides/Concessions Open - Armbands \$8

Balloon Guy

Bingo

4:00-5:00PM Break

5:00PM Rides/Concessions Re-open

6:00PM Ms. Coal Festival Pageant (16-21 years of age) \$40

8:00PM Live Music

SENIORS and parents who were recognized at the Thursday, May 14, baseball game are (from left) track team member Alex Mathis, Josie Mathis, track team member Caitlynn Moore, Ann Moore, Wesley Bearden, baseball team member Steven Bearden, Emily Abbott and Kevin Abbot.

In Thursday's loss to the Eagles, the Panthers gave up four runs in the first, six in the second and one in the third.

INSIDENASCAR

A WEEKLY SPIN AROUND THE WORLD OF RACING

CHARLOTTE MOTOR SPEEDWAY



Denny Hamlin celebrated the first Sprint All-Star Race of his career Saturday night at Charlotte Motor Speedway.

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ALL-STAR STANDOUT

Denny Hamlin outlasts Kevin Harvick to claim \$1 million prize

It wasn't an event that will stir lasting memories, and it wasn't a race that will quiet those clamoring for a significant re-think of nearly every part of NASCAR's version of an all-star game. But at least for Denny Hamlin winning Saturday night's Sprint All-Star Race at Charlotte Motor Speedway was a night of firsts he won't soon forget.

"What an awesome night," Hamlin said. "I mean, everything came together. Definitely with 50 to go, I didn't see this coming."

Hamlin led every lap in the fifth and final 10-lap segment — he staved off a charge from a stronger Kevin Harvick — to win the exhibition for the first time himself, for his Joe Gibbs Racing team and for manufacturer Toyota. The race offered no championship points, just a \$1 million winner's payday.

Hamlin's situation looked dire in the event's middle stages. After starting the race from the pole due to winning the unique qualifying session for the event that required each entrant to complete three laps and a four-tire pit stop, Hamlin led the first 14 laps of segment one before surrendering the lead to Kasey Kahne. Hamlin wouldn't lead again until the fourth segment when a two-tire pit stop put him up front.

Hamlin held the lead for only two laps before Kurt Busch passed him, but the track position gained proved pivotal. The No. 11 dropped only to third in the last of the four 20-lap segments, setting him up to enter pit road sixth for the mandatory four-tire pit stop before the final 10-lap sprint. NASCAR rules set the pit road entry order by the accumulated average finish of the first four segments.

It was pit road where Hamlin's team shined while taking advantage of the preferred last pit box offered to the pole winner. The stall is close to the final pit road timing line that cars race to reach after completing their stop.

"The pit crew just knocked it out of the park," Hamlin said. "I mean, that was prime time, under pressure performance that they did there. That won it."

Hamlin's lightning fast pit crew is the one element of his team that didn't change in the offseason. Crew chief Dave Rogers is new to the No. 11 team, as is the road crew that services Hamlin's car ahead of the race.

When the race restarted for the final sprint, Hamlin gapped the field with the assistance of "clean air" — undisturbed air putting maximum downforce on his car's nose that increases handling — but was soon being caught by Kurt Busch's teammate Kevin Harvick. After the race, drivers widely regarded the Stewart-Haas Racing team cars as the fastest in the event.

But Hamlin held an advantage in the clean air, and the ability to prevent Harvick's car from using it.

"I knew (Harvick) was eventually going to get that high line on me," Hamlin said. "Once he did that, it was going to be over. I had to move to the middle."

Hamlin's move from the low side immediately stopped Harvick's run as the sudden change in front downforce sent Harvick's car high in Turn 3.

"(I) thought we were in a good spot," Harvick said. "I had committed to the center of the corner and just really lost the front of the car up the racetrack, had to get out of the throttle, lost five or six (car lengths)."

Hamlin won by 0.823 seconds. His move underscored a night where on-track passing for the lead was hard to come by. Brad Keselowski even gambled with the pit road speed limit during the final four-tire pit stop ahead of the last 10-lap segment, knowing that the race winner likely had to restart on the front row. The gamble failed as Keselowski was tagged for speeding.

"The penalty was I was three-tenths of a mile an hour over the speed limit," Keselowski said. "But I told my crew chief, 'I'd rather go down swinging than take a strike and wonder what might have been.'"

SPRINT CUP STANDINGS

DRIVER (WINS)	POINTS	BEHIND	DRIVER (WINS)	POINTS	BEHIND
1. Kevin Harvick [2]	437	--	11. Aric Almirola	312	-125
2. Martin Truex, Jr.	391	-46	12. Paul Menard	306	-131
3. Jimmie Johnson [3]	389	-48	13. Ryan Newman	305	-132
4. Joey Logano [1]	375	-62	14. Kurt Busch [1]	292	-145
5. Dale Earnhardt, Jr. [1]	360	-77	15. Denny Hamlin [1]	284	-153
6. Brad Keselowski [1]	343	-94	16. Clint Bowyer	272	-165
7. Matt Kenseth [1]	331	-106	17. Danica Patrick	270	-167
8. Jamie McMurray	328	-109	18. Carl Edwards	265	-172
9. Jeff Gordon	317	-120	19. A.J. Allmendinger	259	-178
10. Kasey Kahne	313	-124	20. Casey Mears	242	-195

XFINITY STANDINGS

DRIVER (WINS)	POINTS	BEHIND	DRIVER (WINS)	POINTS	BEHIND
1. Chris Buescher [1]	368	--	1. Matt Crafton [2]	217	--
2. Ty Dillon	360	-8	2. Erik Jones	201	-16
3. Chase Elliott	337	-31	3. Tyler Reddick [1]	199	-18
4. Darrell Wallace, Jr.	331	-37	4. Johnny Sauter	182	-35
5. Brian Scott	326	-42	5. John Wes Townley	160	-57
6. Regan Smith	320	-48	6. Timothy Peters	158	-59
7. Elliott Sadler	317	-51	7. Cameron Hayley	153	-64
8. Ryan Reed [1]	288	-80	8. Justin Boston	149	-68
9. Brendan Gaughan	283	-85	9. Spencer Gallagher	145	-72
10. Daniel Suarez	281	-87	10. Daniel Hemric	136	-81

TRUCK STANDINGS

DRIVER (WINS)	POINTS	BEHIND	DRIVER (WINS)	POINTS	BEHIND
1. Matt Crafton [2]	217	--	1. Matt Crafton [2]	217	--
2. Erik Jones	201	-16	2. Erik Jones	201	-16
3. Tyler Reddick [1]	199	-18	3. Tyler Reddick [1]	199	-18
4. Johnny Sauter	182	-35	4. Johnny Sauter	182	-35
5. John Wes Townley	160	-57	5. John Wes Townley	160	-57
6. Timothy Peters	158	-59	6. Timothy Peters	158	-59
7. Cameron Hayley	153	-64	7. Cameron Hayley	153	-64
8. Justin Boston	149	-68	8. Justin Boston	149	-68
9. Spencer Gallagher	145	-72	9. Spencer Gallagher	145	-72
10. Daniel Hemric	136	-81	10. Daniel Hemric	136	-81

NEWS & NOTES

BABY BOOM In addition to returning Saturday night for the first time since his Daytona accident in February, Kyle Busch became a first-time dad Tuesday night when wife Samantha gave birth to Brexton Locke Busch. The boy is the first child for the couple, and likely the first of two born to NASCAR Sprint Cup drivers this week. On Wednesday, Brad Keselowski announced on Twitter that he was in the hospital with girlfriend Paige White as they expected the birth of their first child.

NO LATE LEAD CHANGES Saturday night marked the third straight year that NASCAR's All-Star event didn't have a single lead change in the final 10 laps. The race also featured the return of Kyle Busch in his first NASCAR event since suffering a broken right leg and left foot in a crash at Daytona International Speedway in February. "I'll be sore for a couple days, just muscles that haven't been woken up like this

in a little while," Busch said after the race. "It's nothing new, typically I get that in the beginning of the year anyway. It takes a few weeks to kind of get warmed up to things, your body to kind of settle in." Busch finished the final segment sixth despite a mid-race speeding penalty.

XFINITY SERIES, TRUCKS STAY IN ACTION Last weekend wasn't a points-paying event for the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series, but it was for both the Xfinity Series and Camping World Truck Series. Friday night at Charlotte, Kasey Kahne scored his fifth Truck Series win in six career starts by beating Erik Jones to the start/finish line by 0.005 seconds. Kahne's JR Motorsports entry failed post-race inspection, but NASCAR allowed the victory to stand. On Sunday at Iowa Speedway, Chris Buescher passed Ryan Reed during a green-white-checkered finish for his second career Xfinity win.

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NUMBERS GAME

.005

That's the gap, in seconds, that Kasey Kahne needed to edge out Erik Jones Friday night at Charlotte Motor Speedway after a stirring last-lap, side-by-side battle. Kahne and Jones bumped several times as they closed on the finish and officially recorded the second-closest finish in Camping World Truck Series history. The closest came at Talladega Superspeedway in 2010 when Kyle Busch won by .002 seconds — a number that ties the Sprint Cup Series' closest finish ever (2002, Darlington Raceway).

TRACKS ON TAP

SPRINT CUP SERIES

Race: Coca-Cola 600

Track: Charlotte Motor Speedway

Location: Concord, N.C.

Date: Sunday, May 24

TV: 5 p.m., FOX

Layout: 1.5-mile tri-oval

Banking/Turns: 24°

May 2014 Winner: Jimmie Johnson

XFINITY SERIES

Race: HiSense 4K TV 300

Track: Charlotte Motor Speedway

Date: Saturday, May 23

TV: 1:30 p.m., FOX

May 2014 Winner: Kyle Larson

CAMPING WORLD TRUCK SERIES

Race: Lucas Oil 200

Track: Dover International Speedway

Date: Friday, May 29

TV: FOX Sports 1 (4:30 p.m.)

2014 Winner: Kyle Busch

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12U BASEBALL STANDINGS

North Division	W	L	GB
Crittenden White Sox	4	0	-
Crittenden Cardinals	2	2	2
Crittenden Brewers	2	2	2
Dawson Reds	2	2	2
Crittenden Blue Jays	0	4	4
South Division	W	L	GB
Lyon Orioles	3	0	-
Lyon Red Sox	3	0	-
Caldwell Marlins	2	2	1.5
Caldwell Dodgers	1	3	2.5
Caldwell Pirates	0	4	3.5

10U BASEBALL STANDINGS

	W	L	GB
Caldwell Braves	3	0	-
Lyon Yankees	2	0	0.5
Caldwell Rangers	1	0	1
Crittenden Cardinals	1	1	1.5
Lyon Dodgers	1	1	1.5
Caldwell Diamondbacks	1	2	2
Dawson Giants	0	1	2
Crittenden Blue Jays	0	2	2.5
Dawson Rockies	0	2	2.5

8U BASEBALL STANDINGS

	W	L	GB
Caldwell Rangers	2	0	-
Crittenden Dodgers	2	0	-
Dawson Cubs	2	0	-
Lyon Red Sox	2	0	-
Caldwell Athletics	1	1	1
Caldwell White Sox	1	1	1
Caldwell Yankees	1	1	1
Lyon Rockies	1	1	1
Caldwell Pirates	0	2	2
Crittenden Cardinals	0	2	2
Dawson Mets	0	2	2
Lyon Giants	0	2	2

12U SOFTBALL STANDINGS

	W	L	GB
Caldwell Cubs	0	0	-
Caldwell Yankees	0	0	-
Crittenden Cardinals	0	0	-
Dawson Braves	0	0	-
Lyon Reds	0	0	-

10U SOFTBALL STANDINGS

	W	L	GB
Caldwell Rays	2	0	-
Caldwell Blue Jays	1	1	1
Caldwell Dodgers	1	1	1
Crittenden Angels	1	1	1
Dawson Red Sox	1	1	1
Lyon Cardinals	1	1	1
Crittenden Giants	0	2	2

8U SOFTBALL STANDINGS

	W	L	GB
Caldwell Dodgers	2	0	-
Crittenden Angels	2	0	-
Caldwell Athletics	2	1	0.5
Caldwell Rangers	1	1	1
Crittenden White Sox	1	1	1
Dawson Pirates	1	1	1
Lyon Cardinals	0	1	1.5
Caldwell Rays	0	4	3

Standings as of Sunday, May 17



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8U BASEBALL LEAGUE

RESULTS FROM MONDAY, MAY 11
AT PRINCETON
Caldwell Athletics 0
Caldwell White Sox 11
Athletics leading hitters: Not available.
White Sox leading hitters: Not available.

Caldwell Pirates..... 010 204 — 7
Caldwell Rangers 401 102 — 8
Pirates leading hitters: Cade Rowland 3B, HR; Eli Stevens 1B, 1B; Preston Birrell 1B, 1B, 2B; Layton Wall 1B, 1B; Logan King 2B; Max Ortt 1B.
Rangers leading hitters: Cason Littlejohn 1B; Chase Lantrip 1B, 2B; Gus Fox 1B, 2B, HR; Potter Gray 1B, 1B, 1B, 1B; Dominique White 1B, 2B; Sutton Ritchey 1B, 1B, 1B.

AT MARION
Crittenden Cardinals 400 306 10 — 14
Crittenden Dodgers..... 405 013 11 — 15
Cardinals leading hitters: Grayson Davidson 1B; Landon Curry 1B; Quinn Summers HR; Travis Bull 1B; Grayson James 1B.
Dodgers leading hitters: Braeden Odor 1B; Garner Stallins 1B; Zachary Purvis 1B; Ethan Thomas 1B, 2B; Jantzen Fowler 1B; Caleb Whobrey 1B; Klayton Murray 1B.

AT DAWSON SPRINGS
Dawson Cubs..... 063 021 — 12
Dawson Mets..... 000 000 — 0
Cubs leading hitters: Micah Wahburn 1B; Chris Morgan 1B; Ashton Cook 1B, 3B; Ashton Rawlins 1B, 2B, HR; Kolby Crook 1B, 1B, 3B; Kaleb Stringfield 2B; Dakota Berry 1B, 2B; Jayson Knapp 1B, 1B; Joshua Pace 1B.
Mets leading hitters: Andrew Densmore 1B; Taylor Crick 1B; Mitchell 1B; Remington Jones 1B; Bobby Jo Cotton 1B; Charlie Day 1B, 1B; Kenyan Williams 1B.

AT EDDYVILLE
Caldwell Yankees 260 63 — 17
Lyon Giants..... 103 0x — 4
Yankees leading hitters: Trevaughn Copeland 1B, 1B; Scott Cortner 1B, 1B, 2B, HR; J.J. Lowery 1B, 1B, 1B, 2B; Rudra Patel 1B, 1B, 1B; Channing Puckett 1B, 1B, 1B; Ethan Franklin 1B, 1B; Noah Bailey 1B, 1B, 1B; Austin Markham 2B; Addison Heppner 1B, 1B.
Giants leading hitters: Johnson Herring 1B; Kayden Patterson 1B, 2B; Issac Defew 1B, HR; Turner Hurst 1B, 1B; Dalton Hall 2B; R.J. Harris 1B, 1B.

Lyon Rockies..... 200 1 — 3
Lyon Red Sox 456 x — 15
Rockies leading hitters: Trace Walker 1B; Samuel Grigg 1B; Kadin Riley 1B, 1B; Andrew Sharp 1B, 2B; Landon Long 1B; Colton Lawless 3B.
Red Sox leading hitters: Carson Collins 1B, 1B, 2B; Will Dunning 1B, HR; Lukus Breedlove 1B, 1B, 3B; Cooper Collins 1B, 1B, 3B; A.J. Padilla 2B; Willy Lewis 1B, 1B; Drew Richie 1B; D.J. Peek 3B; Hunter Padilla 1B, 1B; Dylan Yates 1B.

RESULTS FROM THURSDAY, MAY 14
AT PRINCETON
Lyon Giants..... 000 032 — 5
Caldwell Athletics 311 001 — 6
Giants leading hitters: Issac Defew HR; Turner Hurst 1B; Elijah Tabor 1B.
Athletics leading hitters: Graham Grissom 1B, 1B; Hayden Patterson 1B; J.T. Palm 1B; Carter Bedell HR.

Crittenden Cardinals 000 010 — 1
Caldwell Rangers 300 10x — 4
Cardinals leading hitters: Travis Bull 1B; Grayson Davidson 1B; Bennett McDaniel 1B, 3B; T. Riley 1B; Grayson James 1B; Ethan Rhodes 1B; Jayden Cotton 1B; Christopher Gernigan 1B.
Rangers leading hitters: Chase Lantrip 1B, 1B; Gus Fox 1B; Potter Gray 1B, HR; Dominique White 1B, 1B; Deacon Carter 1B; Sutton Ritchey 1B.

AT MARION
Dawson Mets..... 010 0 — 1
Crittenden Dodgers..... 663 6 — 21
Mets leading hitters: Not available.
Dodgers leading hitters: Not available.

AT DAWSON SPRINGS
Caldwell White Sox 000 0 — 0
Dawson Cubs..... 604 1 — 11
White Sox leading hitters: Preston Morris 1B, 2B; Timothy Darnell 1B.
Cubs leading hitters: Dakota Berry 3B, HR; Micah Washburn 1B, 1B; Ashton Rawlins 1B, 3B; Kolby Crook 3B; Ashton Cook 1B, 2B; Cadence Harris 2B; Jayson Knapp 1B; Colton Dismang 1B, 1B; Kaleb Stringfield 1B, 2B; Josh Pace 1B.

AT EDDYVILLE
Caldwell Pirates..... 6
Lyon Rockies..... 7
Pirates leading hitters: Not available.
Rockies leading hitters: Not available.

Caldwell Yankees 204 01 — 7
Lyon Red Sox 306 6x — 15
Yankees leading hitters: Trevaughn Copeland 1B; William Cortner 1B, 2B; Jason Lowery 1B, 1B, 1B; Rudra Patel 1B, 1B; Channing Puckett 1B; Ethan Franklin 1B; Elijah Thomas 1B; Addison Heppner 1B.
Red Sox leading hitters: Carson Collins 1B, 1B, 2B; Lukus Breedlove 1B, 1B, 2B; Cooper Collins 1B, 2B, 3B; A.J. Padilla 1B, HR; Hunter Lewis 1B, 1B; D.J. Peek 1B; Dylan Yates 1B, 2B; Will Dunning 1B, 1B; Willy Lewis 1B, 2B.

10U SOFTBALL LEAGUE

RESULTS FROM MONDAY, MAY 11
AT PRINCETON
Caldwell Blue Jays..... 000 2 — 2
Caldwell Rays..... 220 5 — 9
Blue Jays leading hitters: Kendra Richardson 1B, 3B; Alicia Stanley 1B, 1B; Jostaysa Sykes 1B; Clara Ortt 1B, 1B; Ali Southard 1B; Alesa Conger 1B.
Rays leading hitters: Madison Guill 1B, 2B; Maggy Griggs 1B, 1B, 1B; A.J. Hollowell 1B, 1B; Ellie Ramey 1B, 1B; Kianna Ferguson 2B; Annabelle Rushing 1B, 3B; Lilly Perry 1B, 1B.

Caldwell Rays..... 100 02 — 3
Caldwell Dodgers..... 000 10 — 1
Rays leading hitters: Madison Guill 1B; Maggy Griggs 1B; A.J. Hollowell 1B, 1B, 2B; Ellie Ramey 1B, 1B; Sydney McKinney 1B.
Dodgers leading hitters: Kynady Thomas HR.

AT MARION
Crittenden Giants 004 1 — 5
Crittenden Angels..... 420 x — 6
Giants leading hitters: Aubre Conyer 1B; Jaylee Champion 1B; Brylee Conyer HR; Hailey Johnson 2B; Kaylee Hewitt 1B; Addison Mundy 3B, 3B.
Angels leading hitters: Karsen Shouse 1B, 1B; Hailey McCann 1B, 3B; Hadlee Rich 1B, 1B; Callie Brown 1B; Emily Mattingly 1B; Alyssa Woodall 1B, 3B; Sydney Harkins 1B.

AT EDDYVILLE
Dawson Red Sox..... 350 0 — 8
Lyon Cardinals..... 000 0 — 0

Red Sox leading hitters: Lyndsie Morse 1B, 1B; Brooklyn Clark 1B, 1B, 3B; Chelsea 1B; Allie Jones 1B, 1B; Marissa 1B, 1B; Peyton Garrison 1B; Desiree Hunt 1B.
Cardinals leading hitters: None.

RESULTS FROM THURSDAY, MAY 14
AT MARION
Caldwell Dodgers..... 402 2 — 8
Crittenden Giants 102 0 — 3
Dodgers leading hitters: Lexie Teague 1B, 1B; Kennedy Hughes 1B; Kynady Thomas 1B, 1B, 1B; Lainey Frisch 1B, 1B; Tallie Branch 1B, 2B; Makenzie McConnell HR.
Giants leading hitters: Aubre Conyer 1B, 1B; Addison Mundy HR; Brylee Conyer 1B; Hailey Johnson 2B; Katie Perryman 1B.

Lyon Cardinals..... 200 2 — 4
Crittenden Angels..... 200 x — 2
Cardinals leading hitters: Allie Bell 1B, 2B; Bre Harris 1B; Kandice Cotton 1B, 3B; Lauren Davis 2B; Lindy Burchett 1B; Kyleigh Schneider 2B.
Angels leading hitters: Karsen Shouse 1B; Hailey McCann 1B; Hadlee Rich 1B, HR.

AT DAWSON SPRINGS
Caldwell Blue Jays..... 001 0 — 1
Dawson Red Sox..... 000 0 — 0
Blue Jays leading hitters: Audrey Hensley 1B; Kendra Richardson 1B; Laney Jones 1B; Jostaysa Sykes 2B; Katie Menser 1B; Ali Southard 1B
Red Sox leading hitters: Allie Jones 2B.

10U BASEBALL LEAGUE

RESULTS FROM TUESDAY, MAY 12
AT PRINCETON
Dawson Giants 000 02 — 2
Caldwell Rangers 606 2x — 14
WP: Barrett Cotton **LP:** Chris Jones
Giants leading hitters: Matthew Cunningham 1B; Stevie Bullock 1B, 1B; Noah Chappell 1B; Presley Suttle 1B.
Rangers leading hitters: Barrett Cotton 2B; Corbin Nichols 1B, 3B; Ryan Hammett 1B; Donovan Miles 1B.

AT MARION
Lyon Yankees..... 411 6 — 12
Crittenden Blue Jays 110 2 — 4
WP: N/A **LP:** Tyler Belt
Yankees leading hitters: Jacob Peek 1B; Dakota Robinson 1B.
Blue Jays leading hitters: Case Gobin 2B.

AT DAWSON SPRINGS
Caldwell Braves..... 303 03 — 9
Dawson Rockies 000 10 — 1
WP: Easton Kizzee **LP:** Casey Fain
Braves leading hitters: Cofy Harris 1B; Jay Turner 1B.
Rockies leading hitters: Casey Fain 1B; Greyson Pleasant 1B.

8U SOFTBALL LEAGUE

RESULTS FROM TUESDAY, MAY 12
AT PRINCETON
Caldwell Athletics 001 0 — 1
Caldwell Dodgers..... 336 3 — 15
Athletics leading hitters: Abigail Graham 1B, 1B; Maci Tyler 1B; Ella Patterson 1B; Ja'Khia Copeland 1B; McKinley Wadlington 1B.
Dodgers leading hitters: Avery Wells 1B, 1B, 1B, 2B; Lilly Perry 1B, 1B, 2B, 2B; Hannah Lowery 1B, 1B, 1B; Ashlee Ladd 1B; Kaylee Ladd 1B, 1B, 1B; Harper Holeman 1B, 1B, 1B; Nyla Sykes 1B, 1B; Jordan Ortt 1B; Allie Holt 1B, 1B; KayLee Oliver 1B.
Rays leading hitters: Adley Lewis 1B; Jackie Farmer 1B; Mycah Riddle 1B; Madison French 1B; Marissa Smith 1B; Jaden Milan 1B; Lexi Sullivan 1B, 1B.

Caldwell Dodgers..... 060 46 — 16
Caldwell Rays..... 000 32 — 5
Dodgers leading hitters: Avery Wells 1B, 1B, 1B, 2B; Lilly Perry 1B, 2B, 2B; Hannah Lowery 1B, 1B, 1B; Ashlee Ladd 1B; Kaylee Ladd 1B, 1B, 1B; Harper Holeman 1B, 1B, 1B; Nyla Sykes 1B, 1B, 1B; Jordan Ortt 1B; Allie Holt 1B, 1B; KayLee Oliver 1B.
Rays leading hitters: Adley Lewis 1B; Jackie Farmer 1B; Mycah Riddle 1B; Madison French 1B; Marissa Smith 1B; Jaden Milan 1B; Lexi Sullivan 1B, 1B.

AT MARION
Caldwell Rangers 401 041 0 — 10
Crittenden Angels..... 104 041 1 — 11
Rangers leading hitters: Haley Dalton 1B; Riley Thompson 1B, 1B, HR; Katy Smiley 1B, 3B; Bailey Duncan 1B, 1B; Laney Stallins 1B; Alyvia Barnwell 1B; Keirli Herran 1B.
Angels leading hitters: Kaleigh Weathers 1B, 1B, 2B; Jaycee Champion 1B, 3B, HR; Sierra Patrick 1B; Hannah Mott 1B; Taylor Haire 2B, 2B; Mia Hackney 2B; Abigail Martin 1B; Georgia Holeman 1B, 3B.

Crittenden White Sox 401 010 — 7
Crittenden Angels..... 511 32x — 12
White Sox leading hitters: Elle McDaniel 1B, 1B, 1B; Elliot Evans 1B, 2B;

Dixie Hunter 2B; Andrea Federico 1B, 2B, HR; Karli Beavers 1B; Rachel Mundy 1B.
Angels leading hitters: Kaleigh Weathers HR; Jaycee Champion 1B, 1B; Sierra Patrick 3B; Hannah Mott 1B, HR; Taylor Haire 2B; Mia Hackney 2B, 3B, HR; Abigail Martin 2B; Layla Winn 1B, 2B; Georgia Holeman HR, HR.

AT DAWSON SPRINGS
Lyon Cardinals..... 000 00 — 0
Dawson Pirates 005 1x — 6
Cardinals leading hitters: Jenna Coursey 1B; Bailey Breitrick 1B; Tavionna Edwards 1B; Gracelyn Taylor 1B.
Pirates leading hitters: Alanna Harris 1B, 1B; Ruby Jade Hilt 1B; Bailee Coates 1B, 1B; Hailey Oldham 1B, 2B; Skylar Rawlins 1B.

RESULTS FROM FRIDAY, MAY 15
AT PRINCETON
Crittenden White Sox 303 13 — 10
Caldwell Rays..... 010 00 — 1
White Sox leading hitters: Elle McDaniel 1B, 1B; Elliot Evans 1B, 1B; Carly Porter 1B, 1B, 1B; Karli Beavers 1B, 1B, 1B; Riley Kirby 1B; Cheyenne Starky 1B; Andrea Federico 1B, 1B; Addison Wood 1B.
Rays leading hitters: Jackie Farmer 2B; Madison French 1B; Adley Lewis 1B; Chelsea Krauss 1B.

Angels at Rays, PPD

AT DAWSON SPRINGS
Caldwell Athletics 000 003 — 3
Dawson Pirates 002 000 — 2
Athletics leading hitters: Maci Tyler 1B; Ella Patterson 2B, 3B; Lainey Beshear 1B, 2B; Ja'Khia Copeland 1B; McKinley Wadlington 1B; Ke'Darriah Thompson 1B.
Pirates leading hitters: Millie Cotton 1B; Hailey Oldham 1B; Graclyn Haynes 1B; Kylee Hancock 1B; Kaylee Sargent 1B.

AT EDDYVILLE
Rangers at Cardinals, PPD



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PEOPLE

Local Library Lists Titles Of New Book Arrivals

The Dawson Springs Branch Library has announced several upcoming programs.

The newly formed Lego Club for grades K-5 is meeting on Friday afternoons. Anyone who would like to donate unneeded Legos for use by the club can drop them off at the library.

At 5:30 p.m. this Friday, a free concert in the Katherine Barnett room will feature singer/songwriter Rick Rayburn. The concert includes a variety of music and is open to all ages.

The 2015 Summer Reading theme is heroes. Registration is May 19 through June 19 with program meetings beginning June 2.

Preschool aged students will continue to meet at the regular Story Hour time of 11:30 a.m.

Thursdays. Kindergarten through second grade will meet at 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, and grades 3-5 are scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays.

New this year is a young adult program for students in grades 6 through 12. The group will meet Thursdays at 2 p.m.

A special Intergenerational Story Hour program will take place at 10:30 a.m. May 15. Story Hour participants will join residents of the Dawson Springs Health and Rehabilitation Center for the program. The date coincides with National Nursing Home week, May 10-16.

"The residents really enjoy having the kids there, hearing them laugh and listening to the stories themselves," said librarian Angel Killough. "It's a fun opportunity."

Madisonville Announces Friday Night Live Line-Up

The city of Madisonville, in partnership with Baptist Health and the Hopkins County Tourist and Convention Commission, has announced the season line-up of entertainment for the 15th annual Friday Night Live Summer Concert Series.

The first Friday Night Live of 2015, June 12, will highlight local talent. Opening the season will be Barry Russell and the Southern Bullets. Making a return to the Friday Night Live stage will be singer/songwriter Ray Ligon. The evening will close with Barry Potter and the Hosscats.

The second installment this summer will occur on July 10, featur-

ing a mixture of American Folk Rock and Blues music. The opening act will be The Beat Daddys. Also performing will be Heath & Molly. Headlining the evening will be the Boscoe France Band.

The season finale will take place Aug. 14. Mayor David Jackson and Friends will open the concert which includes performances by on-air radio personality Pat Ballard and Madisonville native Tommy Womack. Closing the season will be Blue Moon Swamp led by Dan McGuinness.

Friday Night Live is held in downtown Madisonville on the second Friday of June, July and August from 5 to 10 p.m.



DRESSED for the 2015 Dawson Springs High School prom are (from left) Celebrity Duncan, Sydney Cowan and Breanna Rice.

Talent Contest Scheduled For Pennington Festival

Sign-ups for the talent contest at the Pennington Festival in Princeton will begin at 10 a.m. June 6 on the Butler lawn. The entry fee is \$10 with proceeds used to support local arts. The contest begins at 11 a.m.

Vocalists and instrumentalists of all ages and genres are invited to participate in the musical talent contest. Soloists, groups, bands, trios, etc. are welcome. In past years, contestants have included everyone from classical pianists to traditional bluegrass musicians.

No canned music is allowed. Vocalists may

bring an accompanist or perform a capella. A panel of judges will adjudicate the event. No public commentary will be given.

In the first round, each contestant will perform one selection. The final round will feature the top five overall contestants vying for cash prizes. Performers must have two selections prepared. Those who make the finals will be asked to perform a different selection.

For additional information, contact Stacey Menser at 270-625-5886 or staceym@timesleader.net.



LYNSEY SMITH, with her twin daughters **River Lee** (left) and **Stella Ruth**. submitted photo

Lynsey Smith Graduates At Murray State University

Lynsey Smith graduated from Murray State University May 9 with a Master of Arts in education administration/PK-12 building principal certificate.

She earned her Bachelor of Science degree from Murray State in 2004 and her Master of Arts in elementary education in 2009.

She and her husband Jesse reside in Murray

with their seven-month-old twin daughters, Stella Ruth and River Lee.

Smith is a member of the North Calloway Elementary faculty where she teaches fourth grade science and math.

She is the daughter of Dr. Jeff and Christy Winfrey and the granddaughter of Ted and Mary Ruth Armstrong, Faye Winfrey and the late Dr. Joe Winfrey, all of Dawson Springs.

Yearbooks On Sale Now

Yearbooks for the 2014-2015 school year are on sale for \$45 at Dawson Springs High School.

Extra yearbooks for 2010, 2011 and 2014 are also available at a discounted price of \$20 each.

Riley Reunion Scheduled

The descendants of Sam and Minnie Riley will gather Sunday at the Dawson Springs Community Center.

The doors will open at 9 a.m., and a potluck meal will be served at

noon. Local residents attending are asked to bring extra food to help those who travel a long distance.

For more information, call Dudley Riley at 270-876-4468.



MARK WAYNE ADAMS received a 2015 Indie Excellence® Award: Cover Design Winner for "Frozen Floppies" and "Parts of Speech Parade." submitted photo

Lydia Buzzard Graduates At The Gatton Academy

Lydia Buzzard of Hopkinsville was among 61 students from across Kentucky who graduated from The Gatton Academy at Western Kentucky University Saturday.

She is the daughter of Dale Buzzard and the granddaughter of Carl and Ruth Buzzard of Dawson Springs.

"The 0 Academy provides an exceptional two-year experience for some of Kentucky's most capable high school students with STEM interests, and it serves as a beacon of excellence for schools throughout the commonwealth," said executive director Dr. Julia Roberts.

The Gatton Academy is Kentucky's first residential high school for gifted and talented juniors and seniors.

In the fall, students from the graduating



LYDIA BUZZARD

class will attend 30 colleges and universities across the United States. Four-year scholarships totaling more than \$15.6 million were offered to the graduating class with approximately \$4 million in scholarships accepted.

Joshua Stewart of Hopkins County was also a member of the Class of 2015. Buzzard and Stewart were graduates with distinction.

Woodland Nature Station Sets Wildlife Celebration

The Wildlife Celebration at Woodlands Nature Station will be held Memorial Day Weekend, May 23-25. All programs are included with Nature Station admission of \$5 for ages 13 and up and \$3 for ages 5-12. Children 4 and under are admitted free.

"Visitors can learn about animals that make this area their home. We'll show you how to help preserve wildlife habitats and why it is important," said Darrin Samborski, environmental education specialist at Land Between The Lakes. "We're also offering two family canoe trips that weekend for people to view wildlife from the water. We usually see a lot of native birds, mammals and reptiles along the shoreline and on the water during these outings."

Scheduled events include the following:

Saturday-Monday
•10 a.m. to 4 p.m. "I Spy Up High" Scavenger Hunts
Saturday

•Appearances by Smokey Bear throughout the day
•11:30 a.m., Talking Turkeys
•1-3 p.m., Critter Craft for Kids
•1:30 p.m., Let's Get Snappy: Turtle Feeding
•3:30 p.m., Animal Tall Tales
•6-8:30 p.m. Sunset Canoe Trip
Sunday
•11:30 a.m., Lunchtime for Red Wolves
•1-3 p.m., Critter Craft for Kids
•1:30 p.m., Storytime with Smokey Bear
•3:30 p.m., Bald is Beautiful: The Bald Eagle
•6-8:30 p.m. Sunset Family Canoe Trip
Monday
•11:30 p.m., Fears and Phobias
•1:30 p.m., Batty for Bats
•3:30 p.m., A Howlin' Good Time: Coyotes
Canoe rentals are \$25 per canoe. Reservations and a deposit are required for the canoe trips. Phone 270-924-2020 to preregister.



TRACY THOMAS wears the simulation drunk goggles when 23 DSHS juniors and seniors attended the "Couldn't Happen To Me" youth summit in Hopkinsville in mid-April. This session of the program, which demonstrates what happens during a DUI stop, was presented by Christian County Police Department. With Tracy are (from left) Tatum Rose, Kaitlyn Menser, Jeremy Drake and Savannah Bean. submitted photo

Drag Boat Races Return To LBL's Pisgah Bay

The Kentucky Drag Boat Association returns to Land Between The Lakes National Recreation Area to host drag boat races June 6-7, July 4-5 and August 1-2. The races will take place in Pisgah Bay on Kentucky Lake. Races run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. depending on weather and the number of participants. Time trials will be held on Saturday and final races on Sunday. Spectators can park and watch the races at Birmingham Ferry Backcountry Area.

On Thursday before each set of races, campsites 24-29 at Birmingham Ferry Backcountry Area will close and remain closed for the weekend. Birmingham Ferry boat ramp will close to the public Friday, Saturday and Sunday. There is a spectator fee of \$5 per

person; children under 12 are free. Spectators are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or ground blankets for watching the races.

"The Kentucky Drag Boat Association summer races provide heart-pounding fun," said Gary Hawkins, recreation program specialist at LBL. "It's a great event for spectators and racers. These races add an exciting, high-speed element to all the other great outdoor recreation events around the region."

The drag boat races feature blown-alcohol boats, hydros and jet-powered boats and flat-bottom racers skimming the water at speeds exceeding 150 mph. For more information contact the Kentucky Drag Boat Association at 800-732-0088 or www.kdba.net.



DARRELL WAYNE finds it very amusing when librarian **Angel Killough** gets "pie in the face" Friday, May 15, at the Dawson Springs Branch Library, the result of a Relay For Life fundraiser.

Trail Maintenance Day Scheduled June 6 At LBL

In celebration of the 23rd annual National Trails Day June 6, Land Between The Lakes National Recreation Area invites the public to help with general trail maintenance on the Central Hardwoods Scenic Trail.

Volunteers will meet at Golden Pond Visitor Center at 8:30 a.m. and work until around noon. Participants should bring lunch and water bottles and wear appropriate clothing such as

long pants, hiking boots, gloves, etc. The Forest Service will provide all tools and equipment, tick spray and safety glasses. For more information, phone 800-455-5897 or email volunteer@friendsofbl.org.
"Trails provide a great way to enjoy America's Great Outdoors," commented Kyle Varel, trails manager at LBL. "We offer hundreds of miles of scenic trails for hikers, bikers and riders."

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GRADUATION EDITION

Dawson Springs, Hopkins County, Kentucky 42408

Wednesday, May 20, 2015



**VALEDICTORIAN
SECRETARY**
Victoria Dawn Solomon

Daughter of
Tony and Wendy Solomon
Victoria plans to attend Pelissippi State
Community College for two years and
transfer to Maryville College and major in
elementary education.



SALUTATORIAN
CJ Merideth

Daughter of
John and Sybil Merideth
CJ plans to attend Madisonville Commu-
nity College and major in nursing.



SALUTATORIAN
Seth Magnus Parker

Son of
Toni Stevens and Mikey Stevens
Seth plans to attend Western Kentucky
University and major in mechanical engi-
neering.



**PRESIDENT
HONOR GRADUATE**
Christina Michelle Norris

Daughter of
Claudia and Michael Norris
Christina plans to attend Madisonville
Community College and major in occupa-
tional therapy.

31 WILL RECEIVE DIPLOMAS

106th Commencement Is Friday Night

Dawson Springs High School
will hold its 106th annual com-
mencement at 7 p.m. Friday in
the school gymnasium.

Thirty-one graduates will
participate in the cap and
gown ceremony.

Valedictorian Victoria Solo-
mon, co-salutatorians CJ Me-
rideth and Seth Parker and se-
nior class president Christina
Norris will address the large
crowd of family and friends
expected at the ceremony.

Commencement will begin
with the seniors marching to
their seats to the processional
played by the Dawson Springs
High School band under the di-
rection of Andy Hall.

Alex Mathis will give the
invocation. Guests will be wel-
comed by Kevin Stockman,
high school principal, prior to
the class president's address.

Special music will be per-
formed by class members Tra-
cy Thomas and Kevin Cum-
mins.

The salutatorians' addresses
will be followed by a perfor-
mance by the high school band
with senior members playing
with the group for the final time.

The valedictorian's address
will precede a second musical
performance by Tracy Thom-
as and Kevin Cummins.

Presentations will be made
by class members and class
sponsors.

Following remarks by Su-
perintendent Leonard Whalen,
Stockman and guidance coun-
selor Lori Wooton will present



MEMBERS of the Dawson Springs High School senior class are (front, from left) Callie Menser, Meagan Morse, Brooklynn Dunn, Tracy Thomas, Hannah Childers, Autumn Reece, Victoria Solomon, (second row) Christina Norris, Michelle Reaume, Patti Tabor, CJ Merideth, Lindsey Carter, Audriana Coyazo, Shayna Jackson, Rose Dunbar, (third row) Steven Bearden, Alyssa Pugh, Tiffany Fox, Casey Tencate, Leah Smiley, Caitlynn Moore, Brandon Hayes, (fourth row) Alex Mathis, Jeremiah Adams, Chris Baker, Cordale Matheny, Ryne Bruch, Austin Pool and Seth Parker. Not pictured are Jennifer Miles and Kevin Cummins.

scholarships and awards, and
Wooton will recognize honor
graduates.

Whalen and Earl Menser,
chairman of the board of edu-
cation, will present diplomas.

The benediction by Callie
Menser will be followed by the
confirmation of diplomas by
Stockman and the proclama-

tion of graduates by Whalen.

Members of the Class of
2016 who will serve as ushers
are Josh Castle, Cameron Ri-
ley, Wade Workman and Kai-
tlyn Menser.

The annual baccalaure-
ate will be held tonight in the
multi-purpose room. A recep-
tion will follow.

The service will begin with
the processional played by
Mary Beth Coy.

Alyssa Pugh will give the
invocation, and special music
will be performed by Tracy
Thomas and Kevin Cummins.

The message will be deliv-
ered by Bro. Rusty Akers of
Landmark Church who will be

introduced by Christina Norris.

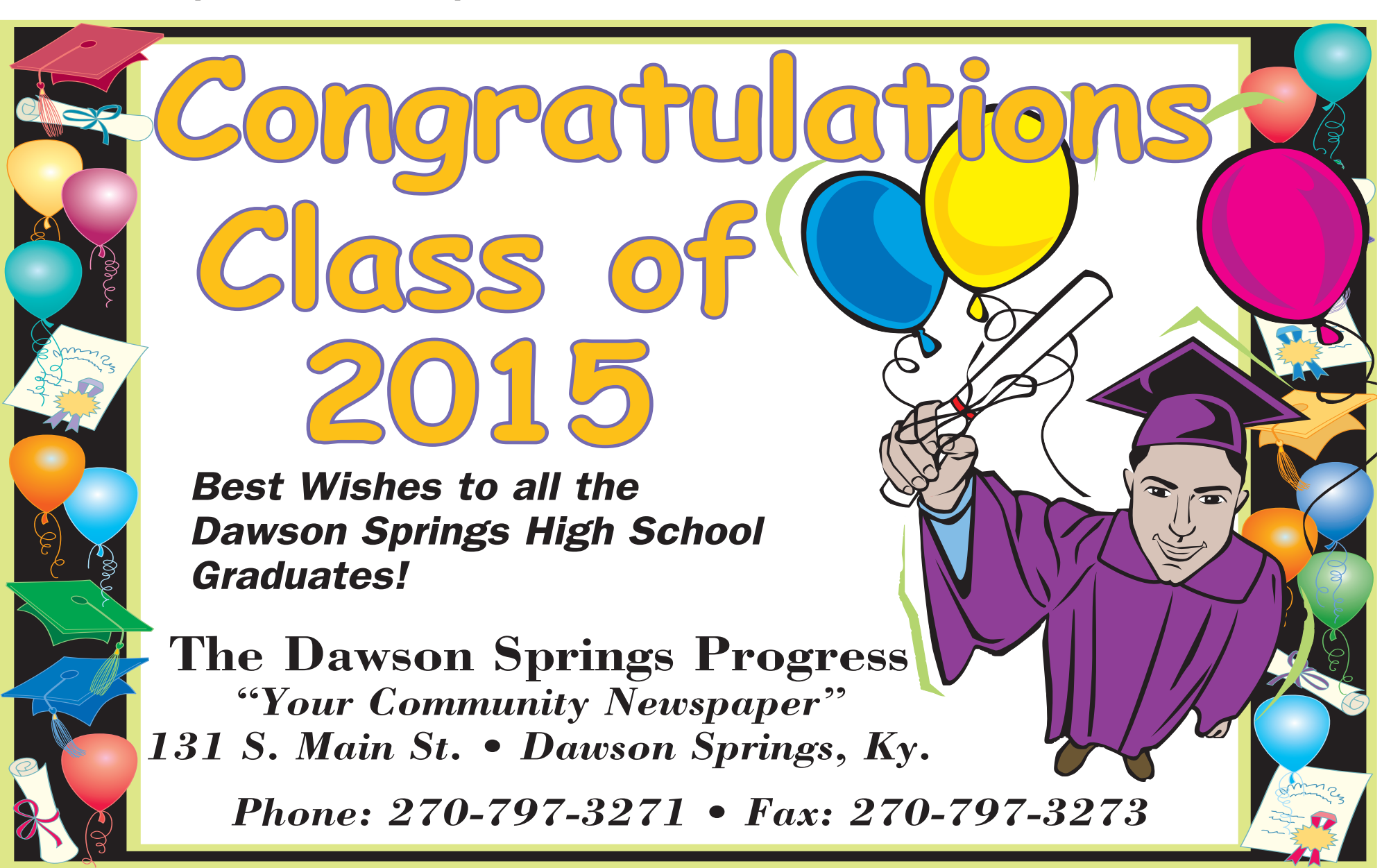
The benediction will be giv-
en by Shayna Jackson.

Juniors serving as ushers
will be Jacob Messamore, Ta-
tum Rose, Jon Williams and
Tiki Robinson.

In addition to class presi-
dent Christina Norris, the class
officers are Callie Menser, vice
president; Victoria Solomon,
secretary; and Tracy Thomas,
treasurer.

Class sponsors are Sasha
Fight, Rachel McCain, Bran-
don Godbey, Emily Abbott and
Erik Peyton.


The members of the Dawson
Springs High School Class
of 2015 are Jeremiah Hunter
Adams, Christopher Micheal
Baker, Steven Dale Bearden,
Ryne Blair Bruch, Lindsey
Nicole Carter, Hannah Rena
Childers, Audriana Monique
Coyazo, Kevin Austin Cum-
mins, Kelly Rose Dunbar, Oli-
via Brooklynn Dunn, Tiffany
Diane Fox, Brandon Nicholas
Hayes, Shayna Marie Jackson,
Cordale Denzil Matheny, Alex
Tyler Mathis, Callie Grace
Menser, CJ Merideth, Jennifer
Lynn Miles, Caitlynn Eliza-
beth Moore, Meagan Danielle
Morse, Christina Michelle
Norris, Seth Magnus Parker,
Austin Gene Pool, Alyssa
Marie Pugh, Michelle Lynne
Reaume, Autumn Nichole Re-
ece, Leah Stephanie Smiley,
Victoria Dawn Solomon, Pa-
tricia Dianne Tabor, Casey
Erin Tencate and Tracy Nicole
Thomas.



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Callie Grace Menser**
Daughter of
Sean and Kristy Menser
Callie plans to attend Madisonville Community College and transfer to Murray State University and major in speech pathology.



**HONOR GRADUATE
Autumn Nichole Reece**
Daughter of
Rachel McCain and Chris Reece
Autumn plans to attend Madisonville Community College in order to pursue paramedic certification and work for Caldwell County Ambulatory Service.



**HONOR GRADUATE
Tracy Nicole Thomas**
Daughter of
Sabrina Abbott and Jason Thomas
Tracy plans to attend Madisonville Community College and transfer to Murray State University and major in nursing science.



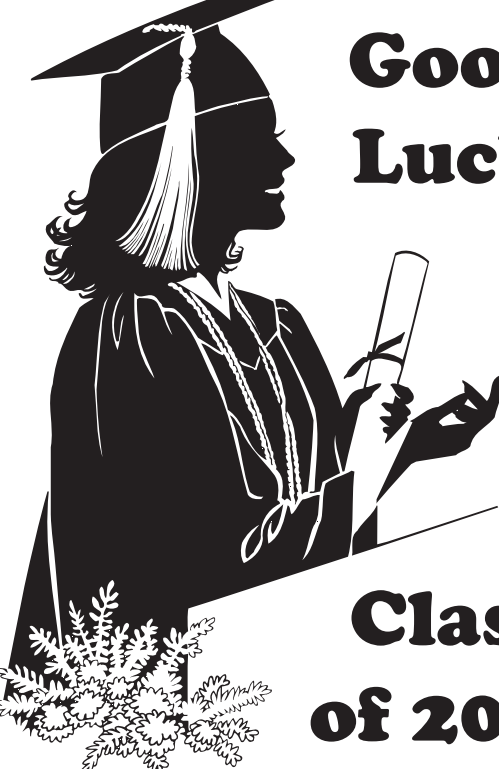
Jeremiah Hunter Adams
Son of
Darla and Willie Adams
Jeremiah plans to get a full-time job.



VOLUNTEERS clearing a lot on South Trim Street Friday, April 17, are (from left) Devan Baker, Shirley Pendley and Aaron Pendley.



DIXIE DAWSON (left) joins a group of students (from left) Hannah Tolzmann, Ethan Drennan and Alyssa Thorpe picking up trash and debris on East Keigan Street Friday, April 17, when students and adults worked for several hours Sprucing Up Dawson Springs.

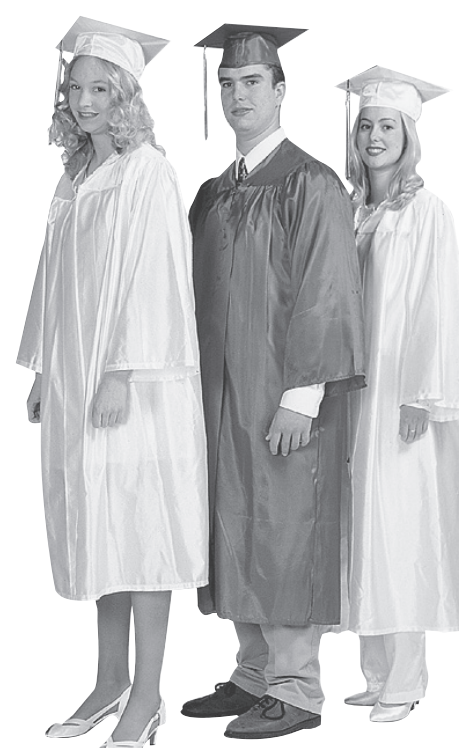


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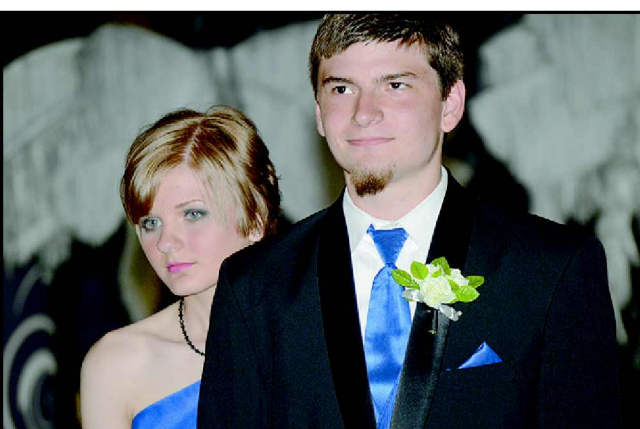


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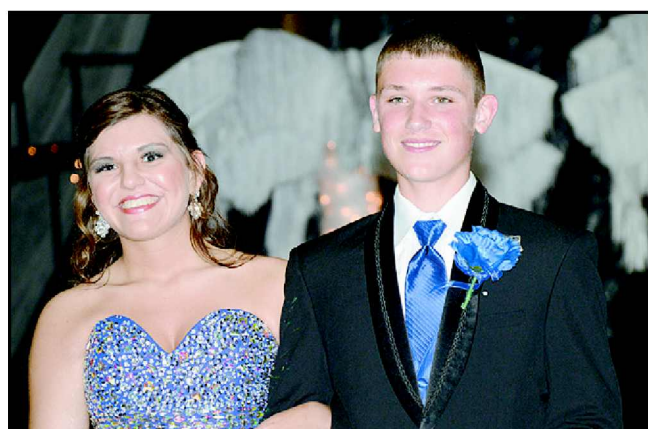
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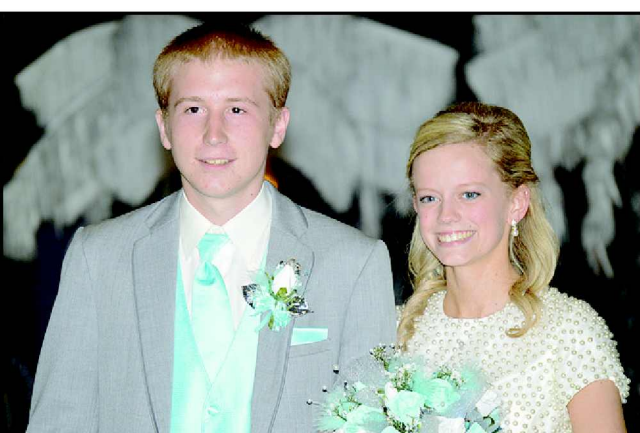
MADISON GARRETT and DAKOTA FORD



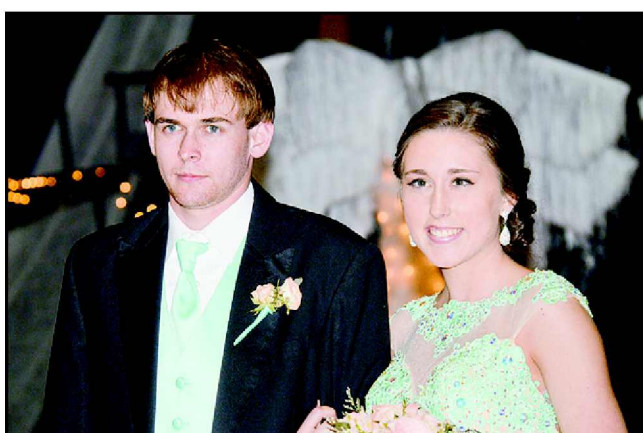
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ADRIANNA COYAZO and AUSTIN CLARK



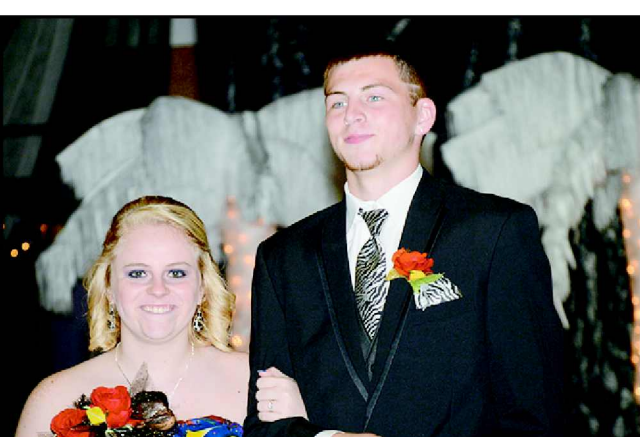
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KEYLI BURDEN and JON WILLIAMS



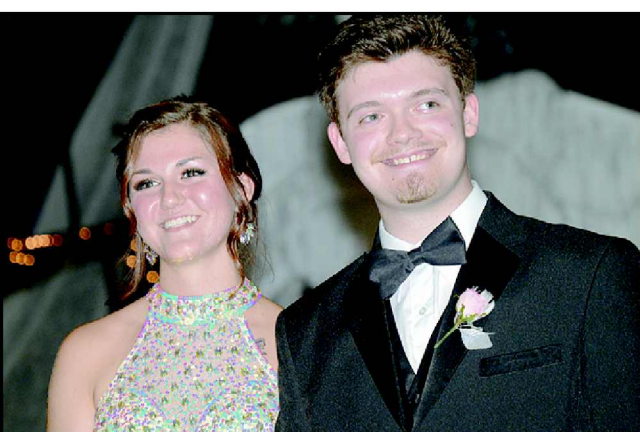
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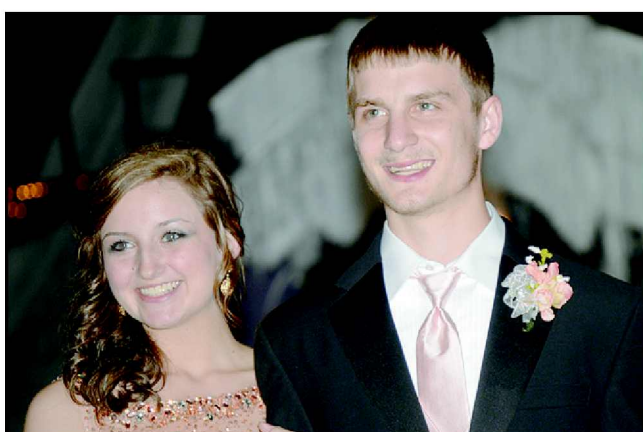
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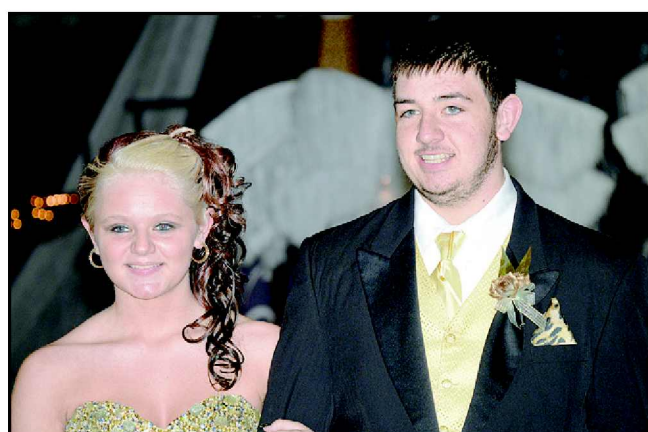
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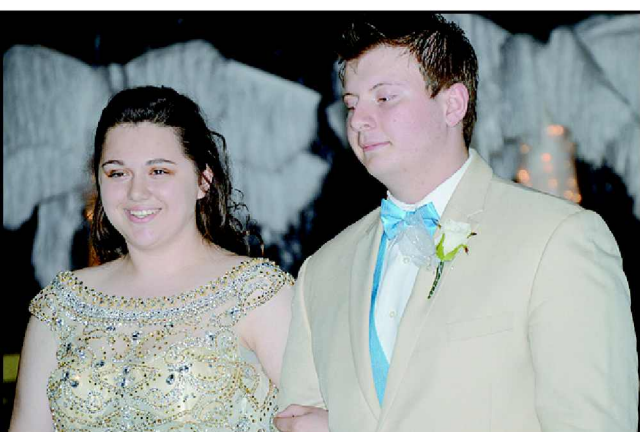
KAREN HEADY and D.J. THORP



HANNAH CHILDERS and BRANDON HAYES



LINDSEY CARTER and JEREMIAH ADAMS



TRACY THOMAS and AARON CUMMINS



ALYSSA PUGH and ALEX MATHIS



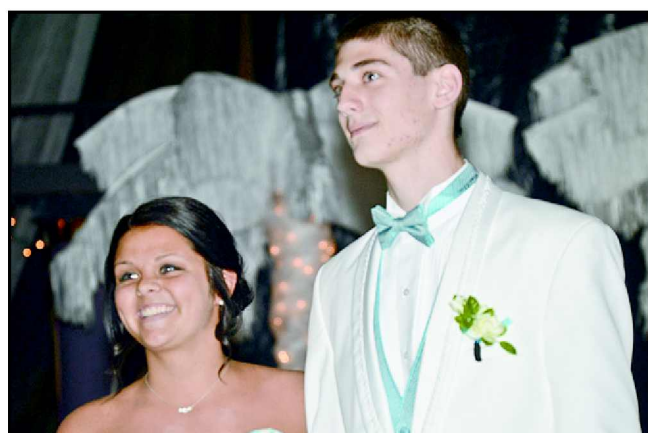
JESSICA EARL and JAKOB BAKER



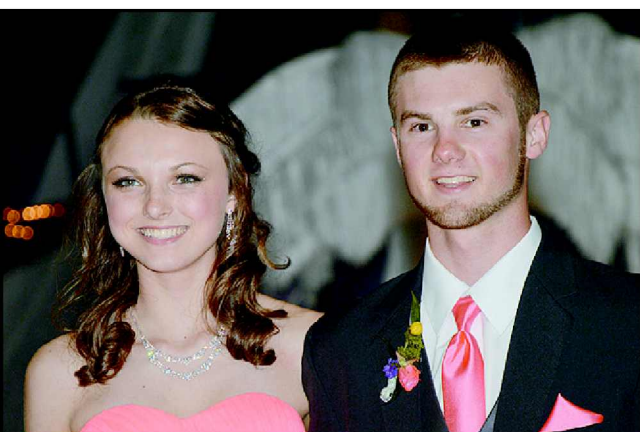
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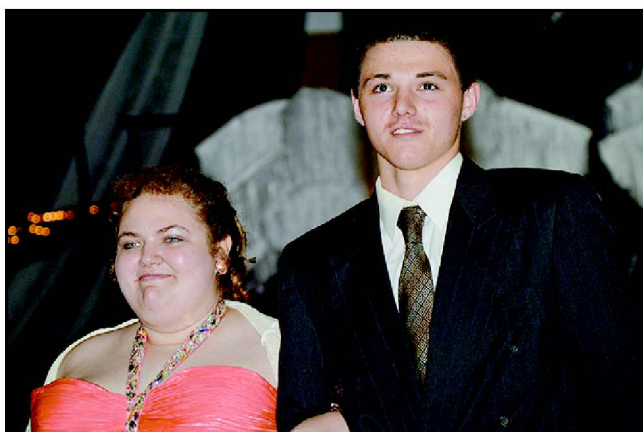
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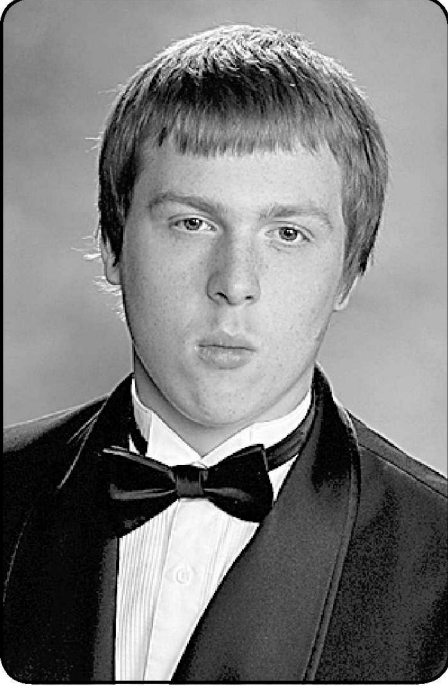
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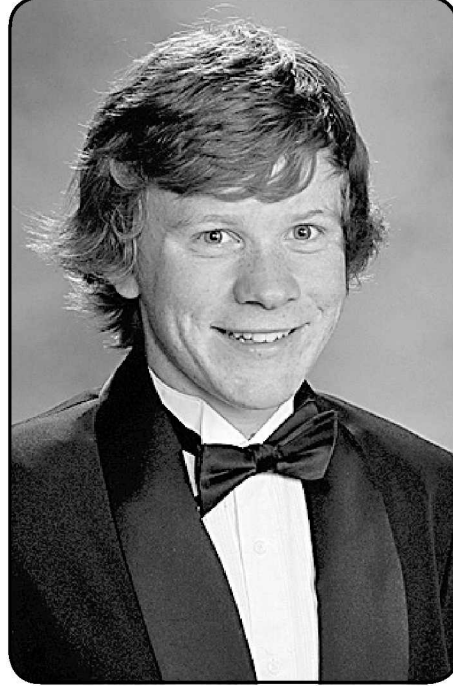
PATTI TABOR and LEXI ATKINS



Christopher Micheal Baker
Son of

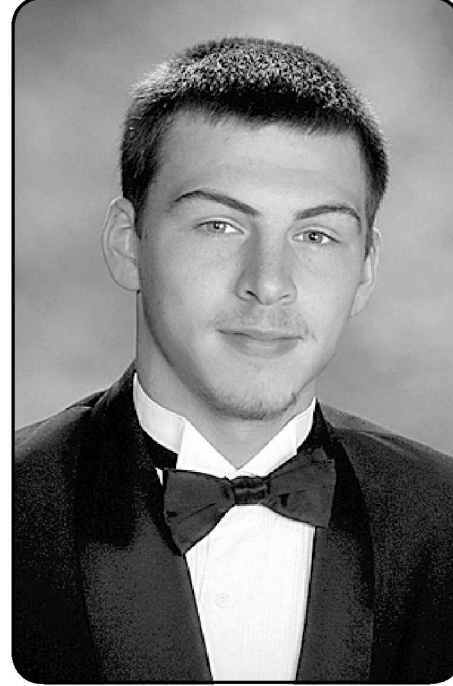
Jennifer Harrell

Christopher plans to seek employment at Hydro-Gear.



Steven Dale Bearden
Son of

Wesley Bearden and Emily and Kevin Abbott
Steven plans to attend Madisonville Community College and major in biomedical engineering.



Ryne Blair Bruch

Son of Cassie Ipock and Bob Bruch

Ryne plans to attend Madisonville Community College and pursue certification in coal mining.



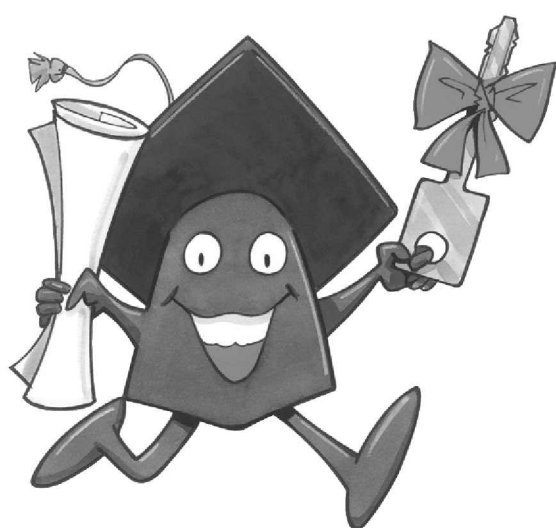
Lindsey Nicole Carter

Daughter of

Bill and LaNell Morris

Lindsey plans to attend Madisonville Community College and major in nursing.

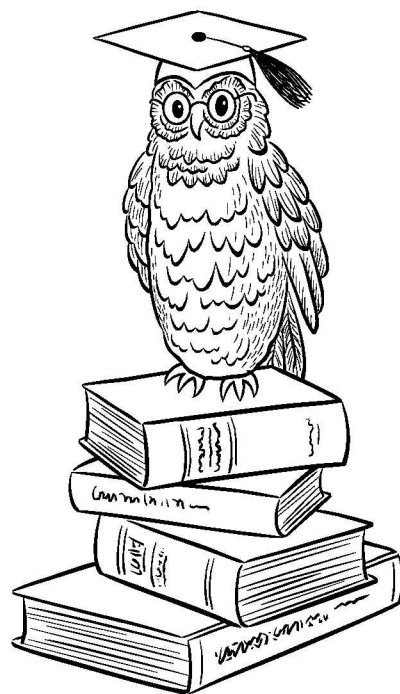
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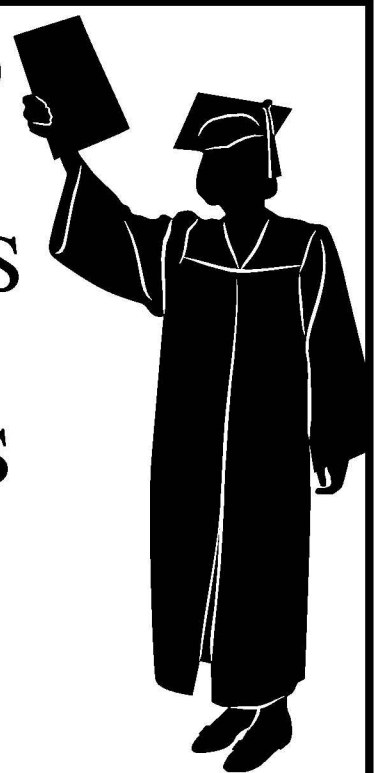


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your new beginnings!*

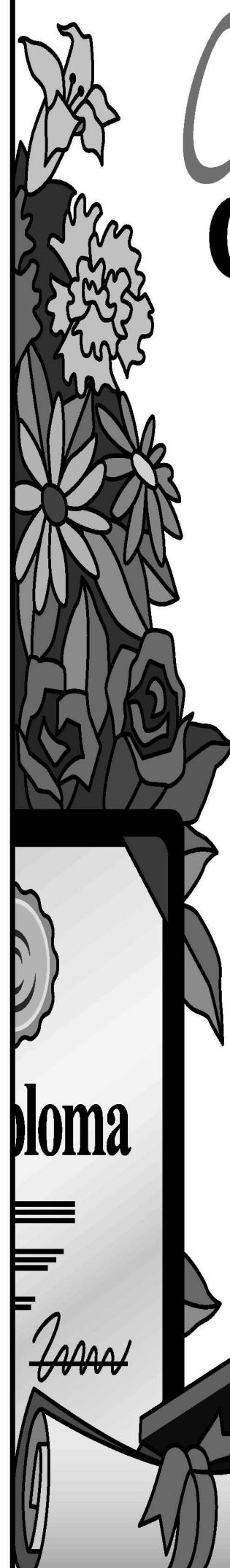
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Hannah Rena Childers
Daughter of
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Hannah plans to attend Madisonville Community College and major in nursing.



Audriana Monique Coyazo
Daughter of
Misty and Chad Hickerson
Audriana plans to pursue a career as a dental assistant.



Kevin Austin Cummins
Son of
Jerry Cummins and Sarah Cummins
Kevin plans to seek employment at CSX.



Kelly Rose Dunbar
Daughter of
Judy Gregg and Dale Dunbar
Rose plans to live at home and care for her grandmother.



MADISON PURDY reads her essay at the DARE graduation program Thursday, March 26, at Dawson Springs Elementary School.



SAMANTHA HENDRIX (left) and Carissa Shaver display plants in bottles at an Earth Day exhibit at Dawson Springs Jr./Sr. High School Wednesday, April 22.

KAREN ROBINSON HANVY, a representative of Regional Media Sales speaks to students on Career Day Friday, March 27, at Dawson Springs High School.



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*"All our dreams can come true...
if we have the courage to pursue them."*
—Walt Disney



Audie,
That quote is so very true. Let it
be an inspiration to you as you
head out on the great journey of
following your dreams. You've
always been a great joy to us,
and we love you with all our
hearts! We know you can achieve
anything you set your mind to do.
Keep looking up and reach for the
stars!

We love you forever,
Momaw and Popaw Stephens

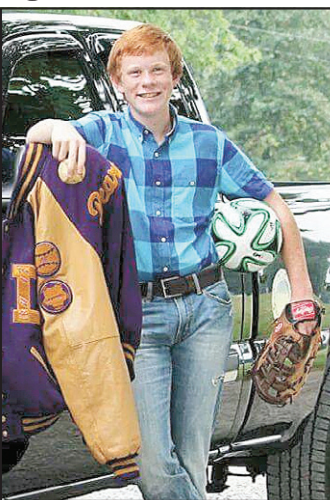
**Congratulations
Steven**

*You have
gone from
preschool
graduation
to
high school
graduation in what seems*



*like the
blink of an
eye. We love
you and are
so proud of
you.*

*Love you,
Grandpa
and Granny*



**Congratulations
Ryne Blair Bruch!**

4 words:
"Hackey sack of
doom!"
*Love,
Bradleigh*

*I'm so proud of you,
Bubba!
Love,
Chipper*



Congratulations Whit!
Hopkins County Central High School Graduate



*We are so
proud of
you!*

Love,
Mom, Dad, Savannah, Nana, Nannie & C.O.

**Autumn,
Congratulations!**

*We are so very
proud of you
and we love
you.*

*Welcome to our
family!*

Love,
Tonia Glass McKinney, Joel McKinney
and family



Way to go, Ryno!



*Love always,
Mom and D*

Most people think your
life changes forever the
second you cross that
"finish line." Runners
know that your life
changes forever the
second you decide to
go to the starting line.
Welcome to the starting
line of life, my precious
son. Enjoy your journey.
Thank you for having us
along for the ride.



Congrats to our Mommy!!!



Lynsey Winfrey Smith
MSU Grad — May 9, 2015
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Callie,

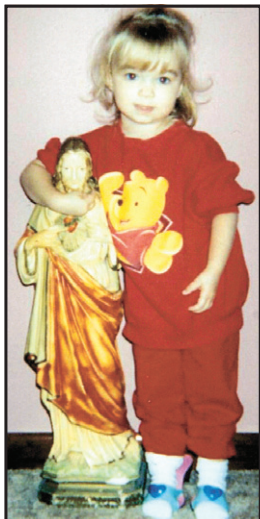
*We can't believe how
fast you have grown
up. We love you so
much and are so
proud of you.*

Love,
Mom, Dad
and Kaitlyn

**VICTORIA,
Keep Christ
Always
Beside You.**

Congratulations!

*Love you lots,
Mamaw & Papaw*



Autumn,

*I pray for the best
of all things to come
your way as you end
this chapter in life
and begin the next.
I'm proud of you.
I love you. And I
hope to help write
many pages in the
novel we call life.*

*Love,
Clint*



Autumn,

From the words
of John Wayne,
"Courage is being
scared to death,
but saddling up
anyway."
Get out there
and be the person
you want to be!
I'm proud of you!



Love, Chad

Congratulations Caitlynn!

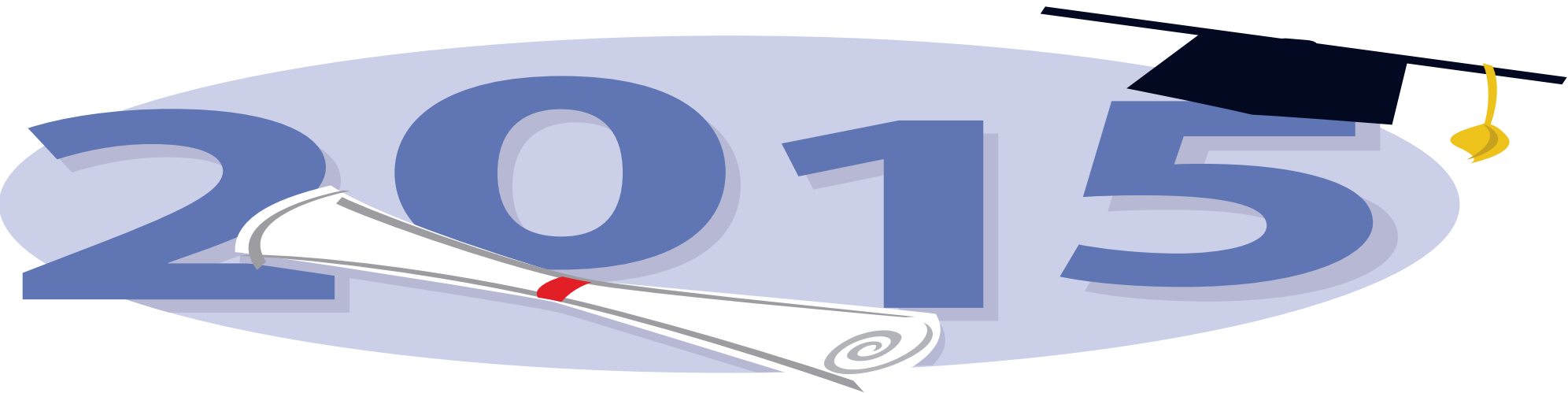


*We love you
and wish you
happiness
and success.*

*Mom, Andrew,
Grandma &
Grandpa*

Leah,
I'm so proud
of you for so
many reasons.
My prayer for
you is that you
walk with the
Lord always.
He has big
plans for you.

Love, Mom





Olivia Brooklynn Dunn
Daughter of
Mike Dunn and Tabby Vandiver
Olivia plans to attend Madisonville Commu-
nity College and major in respiratory care.



Tiffany Diane Fox
Daughter of
Sarah Fox and Timbo Fox
Tiffany plans to attend Madisonville Com-
munity College and major in nursing.



Brandon Nicholas Hayes
Son of
Debbie and David Hayes
Brandon plans to attend Madisonville Com-
munity College.



Shayna Marie Jackson
Daughter of
Miranda Jackson and Shayne Pressley
Shayna plans to attend Madisonville Com-
munity College and major in nursing.



DSHS Teen Community Emergency Response Team, with instructors, Saturday, May 9, when the group completed their mock disaster exercise and became certified as a team are (front, from left) Frankie Frazier, Kaitlyn Menser, Tatum Rose, Cal-
lie Menser, Victoria Solomon, Allison Gordon, Tracy Thomas, Helen Brown, Joann

Smiley, (back) Frank Brown, Nick Bailey, Wayne Simpson, Steven Bearden, Breanna
Rice, Cameron Riley, Kayla Bigham, Celebrity Duncan, Cole Parker, Jessica Earl, and
Keith Gregory.

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Alex Tyler Mathis
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Alex plans to attend Madisonville Commu-
nity College and major in accounting.



Cordale Denzil Matheny
Son of
Patricia Cummins
Cordale plans to seek employment at CSX.



Jennifer Lynn Miles
Daughter of
Judy and Anthony Miles
Jennifer plans to attend Madisonville Com-
munity College.



Caitlynn Elizabeth Moore
Daughter of
Ann Moore
Caitlynn plans to attend West Kentucky
Community and Technical College in
Paducah and major in culinary arts.



THESE students listen to Kentucky State Trooper Derek Scott as he speaks at Dawson Springs Jr./Sr. High School on Career Day Friday, March 27.

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Congrats!

Matt Sanderson
Hopkins County Sheriff




CELEBRITY DUNCAN (left) and Breanna Rice practice a rescue from a collapsed building during the mock disaster exercise Saturday, May 9, when the DSHS students completed their training to become a Teen Community Emergency Response Team.

photo by Charlie Beshears

Junior Class Officers
Cameron Riley - president
Shatiki Robinson - vice president
Jessica Earl - secreary
Celebrity Duncan - treasurer

Good Luck

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Pamela J. Love
Hopkins County PVA
and Deputies


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Caitlynn Moore
Dawson Springs High School
Daughter of
Ann Moore, NASR – DSHR
Caitlynn plans to attend the School
of Culinary Arts.



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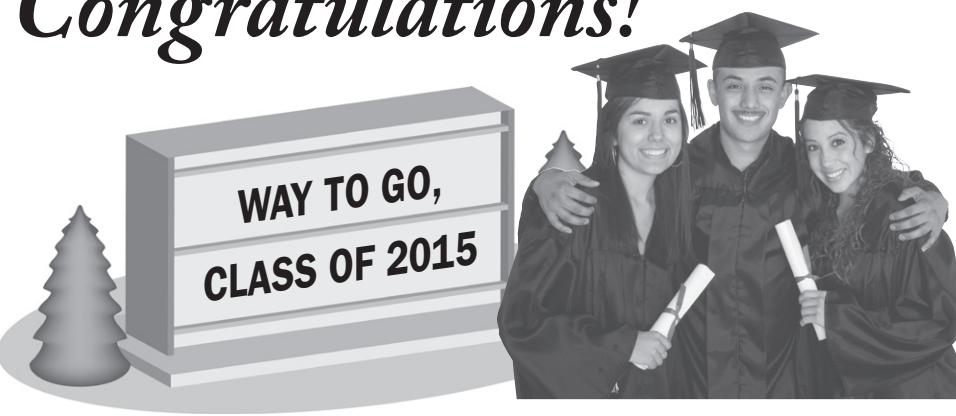
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JASON STUART, coal miner, speaks at career day on Friday, March 27, at Dawson Springs Jr./Sr. High School.

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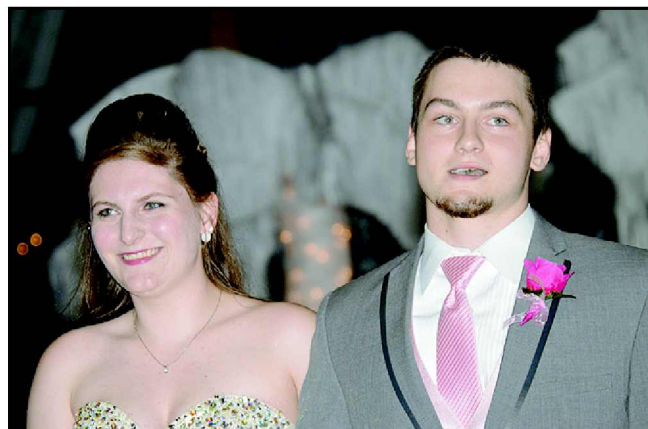
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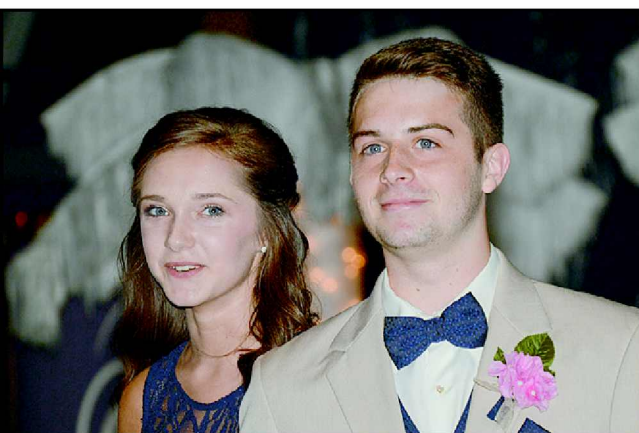
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CHRISTINA NORRIS and JAKE MORGAN



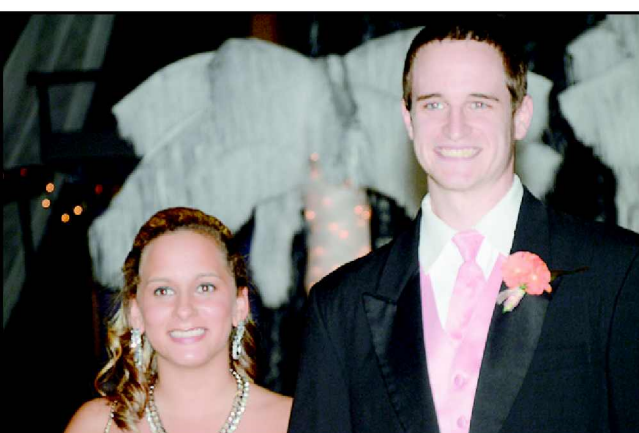
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ALLIE MILLS and DEVAN BAKER



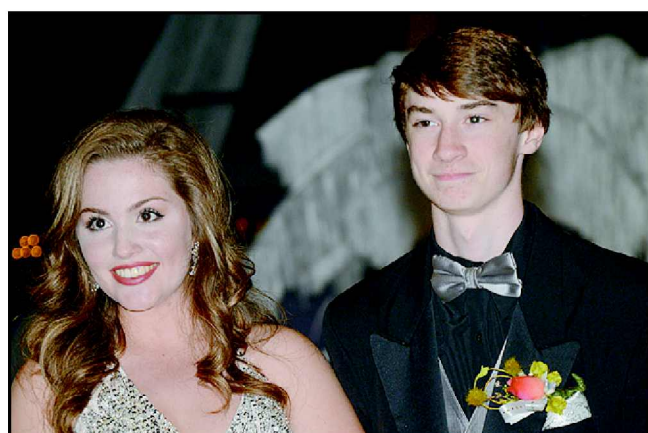
ANDIE MILLS and DYLAN SIMPSON



ALYSSA MATHENY and TRAVIS LUSSIER



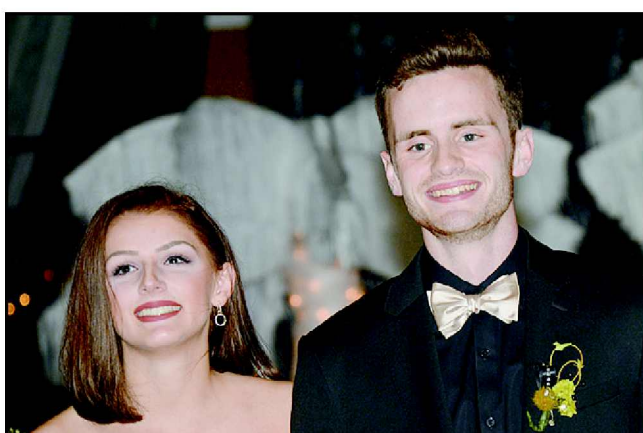
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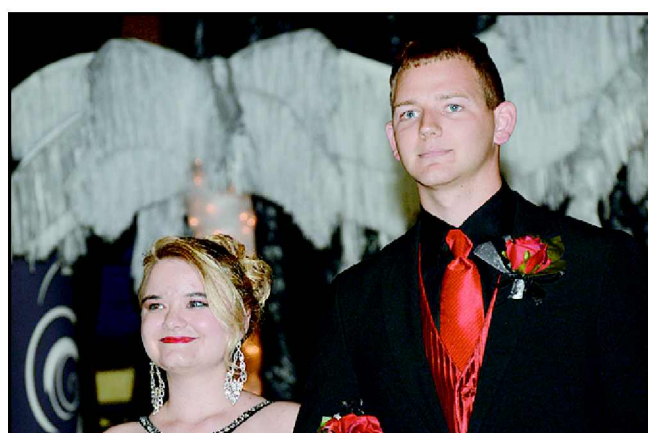
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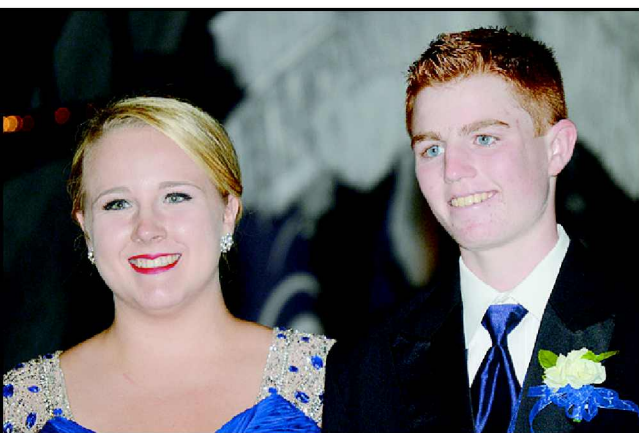
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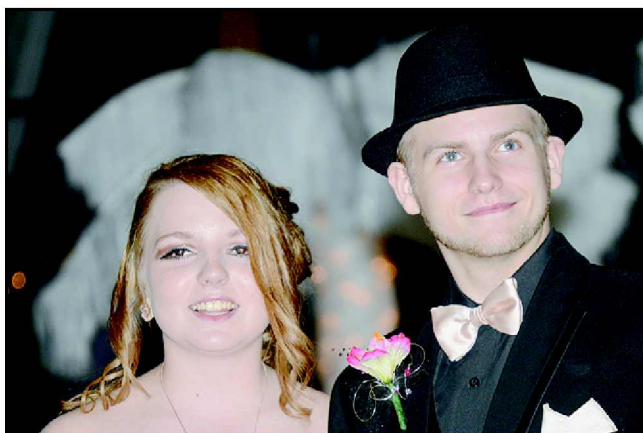
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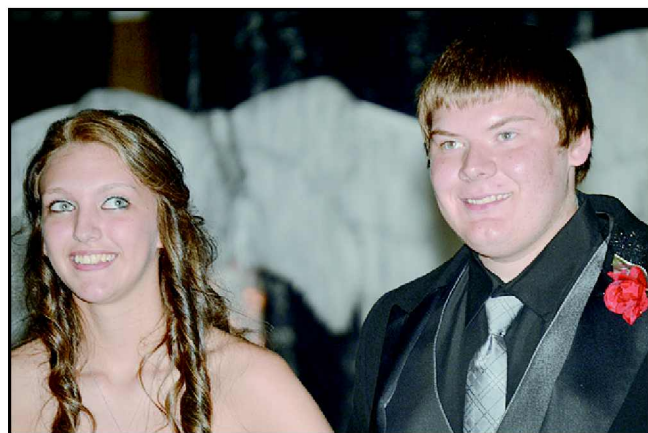
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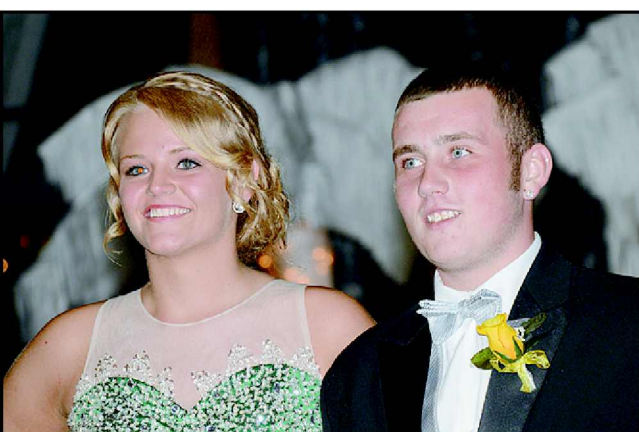
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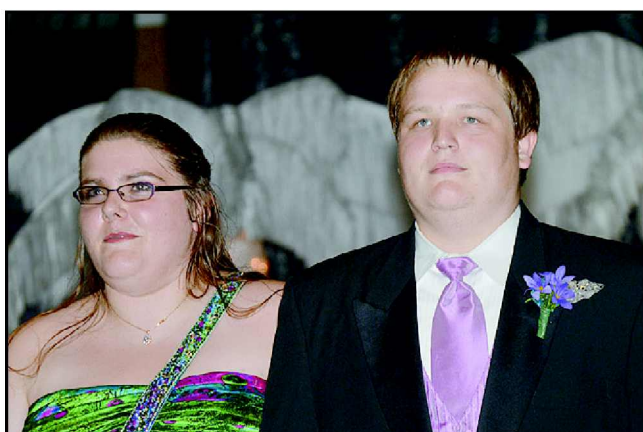
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BRITTANY PARISH and AUSTIN RYAN



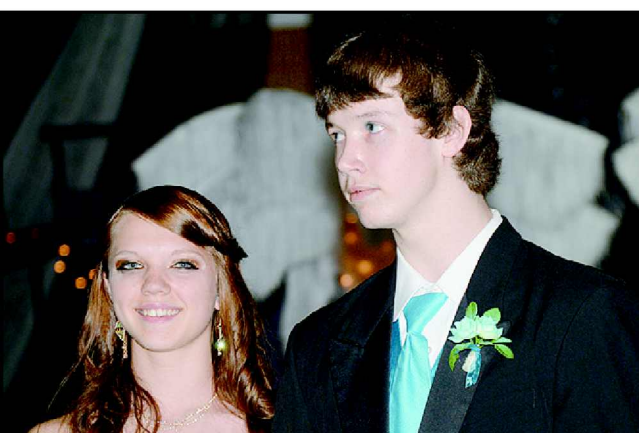
REANNA GRIMES and TREVOR MCKNIGHT



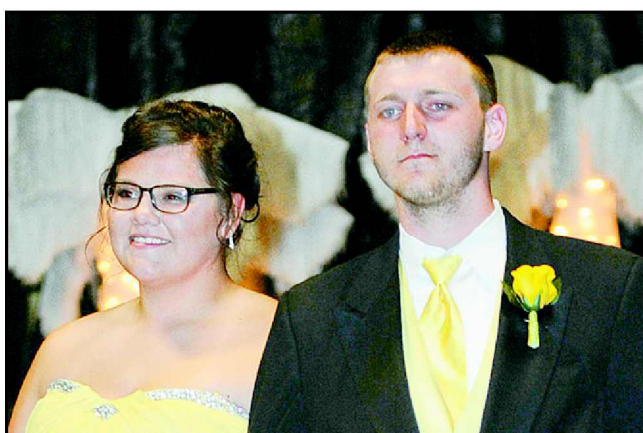
HANNAH WINTERS and TRAY HALLUM



LEAH SMILEY and BEN CARTWRIGHT



ALYSTA BUTTS and AUSTIN POOL



MARISSA COYAZO and NICK HESTER



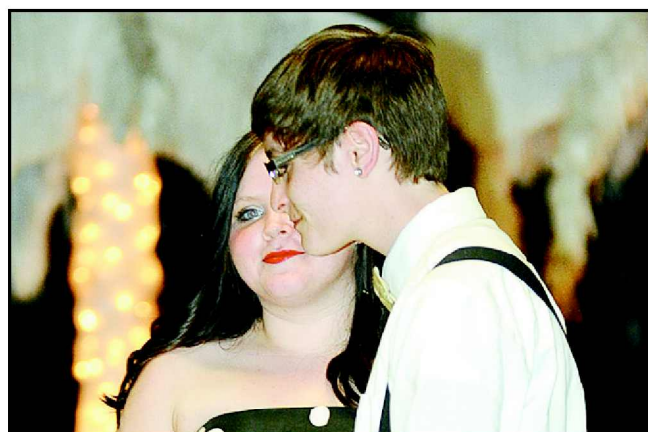
JULIA EARL and KEVIN CUMMINS



CAITLYN MOORE



TIFFANY FOX and CORDALE MATHENY



MEAGAN MORSE and KATIE YEAGER



Meagan Danielle Morse
Daughter of
Crystal Day and Brent Morse
Meagan plans to attend Madisonville Community College one year and transfer to Murray State University and major in business and marketing education.



Austin Gene Pool
Son of
Kevin Pool and Becky Pool
Austin plans to pursue a career in welding.



Alyssa Marie Pugh
Daughter of
Chad and Necole Pugh
Alyssa plans to attend Hopkinsville Community College and transfer to Murray State University and major in law enforcement.




Michelle Lynne Reaume
Daughter of
Marion Reaume and Dennis Reaume
Michelle plans to attend Madisonville Community College and major in art.



JESSICA EARL conducts a paper airplane competition with emphasis on air pollution for elementary students (from left) Thomas Humphries, Timothy Hunt, Tre Smith, Tyler Crook and Ashton Rawlins as a part of the Earth Day activities Wednesday, April 22, at Dawson Springs High School.



JOSH CASTLE (right) with a jelly fish in a bottle explains ocean pollution to grade schooler Natalie McGinnis at the Earth Day activities Wednesday, April 22, at Dawson Springs High School.



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Leah Stephanie Smiley
Daughter of
Dianna and Mark Smiley
Leah plans to attend Madisonville Community College and major in radiology and also pursue a career in cosmetology.



Patricia Dianne Tabor
Daughter of
Paul Tabor and Joyce Tabor
Patricia plans to seek employment at ConAgra.



Casey Erin Tencate
Daughter of
Christine and Michael Tencate
Casey plans to attend Western Kentucky University.

JOY COWAN, DSHS teacher, donates blood Thursday, April 30, during the blood drive at Dawson Springs High School. Assisting with the blood drive is Baptist Health employee Cheryl Orten. At left teacher Lee Hall waits her turn.



STUDENTS listen attentively to DARE guest speakers Thursday, March 26, Dawson Springs Elementary School.

Congratulations,
GRADUATES



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Hopkins County
Circuit Court Clerk**

Congratulations

CLASS OF 2015!

Congratulations
Jacob Conner Palmer



Jeremiah
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Love,
Oma

Congratulations Autumn



*As always,
We're very
proud of
you!*

We Love You!
Nana & Poppy

*You're BRAVER than
you BELIEVE
STRONGER than
you SEEM
and SMARTER than
you THINK.*
—Christopher Robin




Rachel Blalock
Murray State University
MBA with an
Accounting emphasis

You are one of our
greatest blessings.
We love you.
Now get busy.
Life just got real.


Jon and Lori

*"Do not follow where the path may lead. Go, instead,
where there is no path and leave a trail."*
—Ralph Waldo Emerson



Audie,
Here you are, in the dawn of a new
day, your dreams out there waiting.
Run toward those dreams you've
had since you were the little girl I
once knew. Let nothing slow you
down or hold you back! Make
your own path, just like you always
have. I'm confident you'll make
your mark on this world; the world
is a better place for having you
in it! Thank you for choosing me
to be your momma. I'll always be
right here, and you'll always be my
beautiful little girl.

Love you forever and a day,
Momma



Alyssa,
*Meme is so
proud of you.
This is your
special day to
shine, keep your
faith up and you
will go far.
Congratulations
"Ree"*

Love,
Meme & Poppy Lee

Congratulations!

*Jeremiah,
May life keep
jumping up
and keep you
smiling!*



Love you very much,
Mom, Dad & Jacob

Victoria,

We are so very
proud of you
and we love
you so much!




Congratulations!
Love,
Dad, Mom & Jacob

CLASS OF
2015


Congratulations!

*"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams.
Live the life you have imagined."*
—Henry David Thoreau

Aud,
I'm so glad that I get
to call you my sister!
I'm very proud of
you, and I hope all
of your dreams come
true. Life truly is
what you make of it,
so live the life you
have imagined.




Love,
Aiden



Hannah,
*You are loved for the
little girl you were
then,
the special woman
you are now,
and the wonderful
daughter and sister
you have always
been.*

We love you,
Mom, Richard,
Ariel and Landon

*I can't believe that the
day is already here
that my baby girl is
graduating. It seems
like yesterday you were
going to your first day of
school. No more waking
you up, saying, "Time
to go to school!" I'm so
proud of you, Autumn,
and the woman you are becoming. A new chapter in
your life awaits you and you're the one who gets to write
it. I wish you the best life has to offer. But never forget
you will always be my little girl. I love you to the moon
and back.*




Love, Dad

Seth,
We are beyond proud
of the young man
you have become
and are excited to see
you start this new
chapter in life.


*"It takes courage to grow up and
become who you really are."*

Love,
Mom and Mikey



Autumn Nichole,

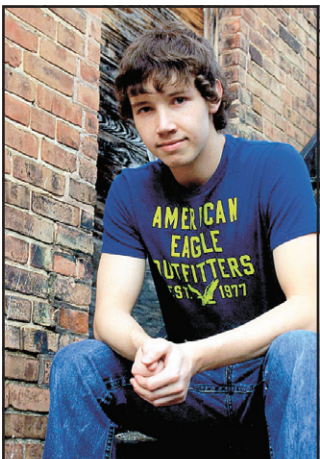
*As you face your new
horizon, I know your
heart is filled with
dreams. Chase them!
Maybe there are a
few fears. Face them.
Go out into the big
new world and shine
like you always have!*



I love you,
Aunt Con

Son,

*We are so proud of
the young man you
have become. What-
ever challenges that
have come your way
you have always
pushed forward
with your head held
high. We wish you
the best in all you do.*



We Love You,
Mom, Dad & Shannon

CONGRATULATIONS
**On Your
Graduation!**

*We are so
proud of you.*

We love you to the
moon and back,
Kevin, Mom, Nathan,
Isiah, Christian, Charles
and Emily

